Immanuel Lutheran Church
Waterloo, Illinois

Twenty-third Sunday after Trinity



Saturday, November 7, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.
Sunday, November 8, 2026 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

"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. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

Christ Centered. We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Multigenerational. We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

Eclectic. Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

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.

Divine Service, Setting One

(*Lutheran Service Book*, pg. 151)

Preservice Music / Bells

Reception of New Members by Transfer and Profession of Faith [Caleb Arbeiter, Ruth Baker, Nick Guebert, Sarah Heizer, David & Susan Radden, Krysta & Hudson Schmidt]

Welcome / Greeting

Please stand

Opening Hymn, *LSB* 730, "What Is the World to Me"

✠ Confession and Absolution ✠

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.** Matthew 28:19b; [18:20]

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. 1 John 1:8-9

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit. John 20:19-23

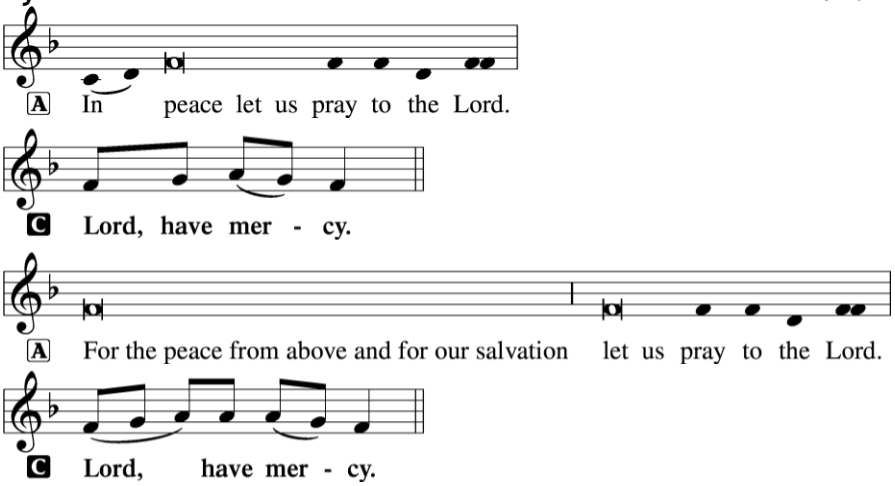
C **Amen.**
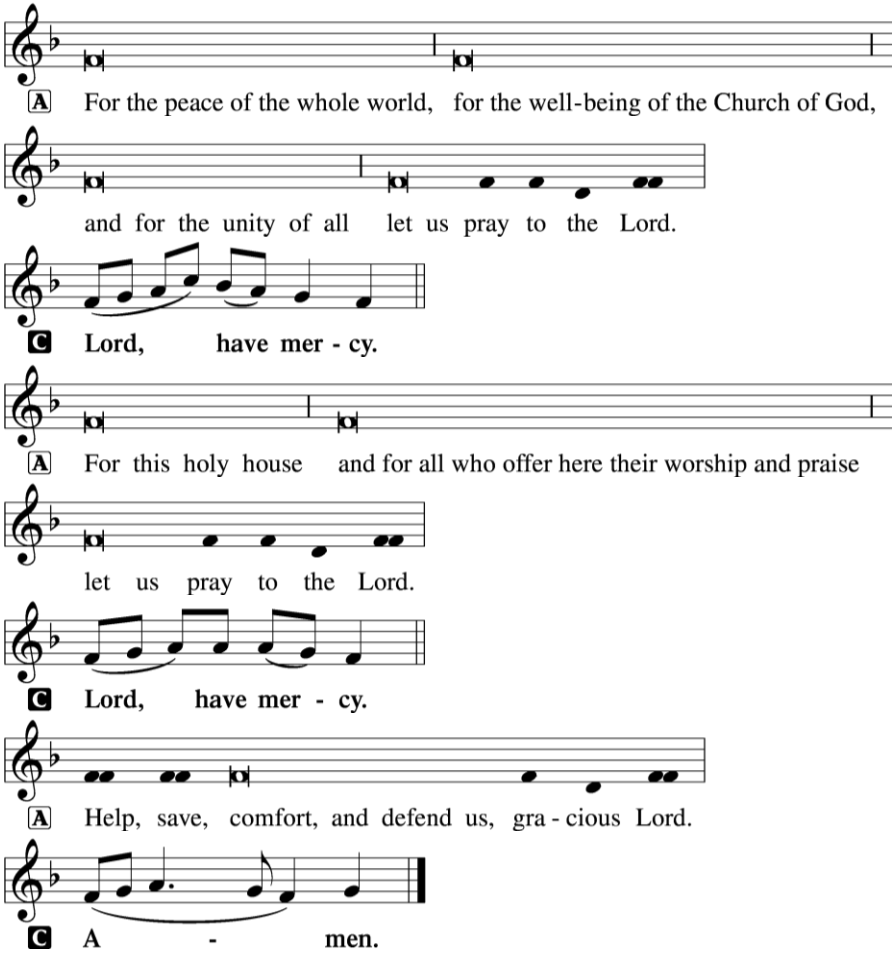
✠ Service of the Word ✠

Introit of the Day Psalm 85:1, 7, 9, 11; antiphon: Jeremiah 29:11a, 12
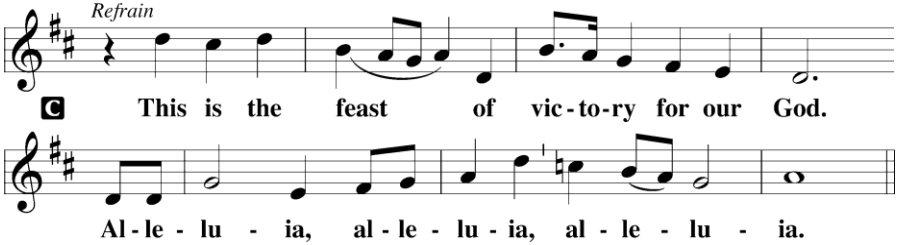
I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD,
plans for wholeness and not for evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will hear you.
LORD, you were favorable to your land;
you restored the fortunes of Jacob.
Show us your steadfast love, O LORD,
and grant us your salvation.
Surely his salvation is near to those who fear him,
that glory may dwell in our land.
Faithfulness springs up from the ground,
and righteousness looks down from the sky.
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.
I know the plans I have for you, declares the LORD,
plans for wholeness and not for evil.
Then you will call upon me and come and pray to me,
and I will hear you.

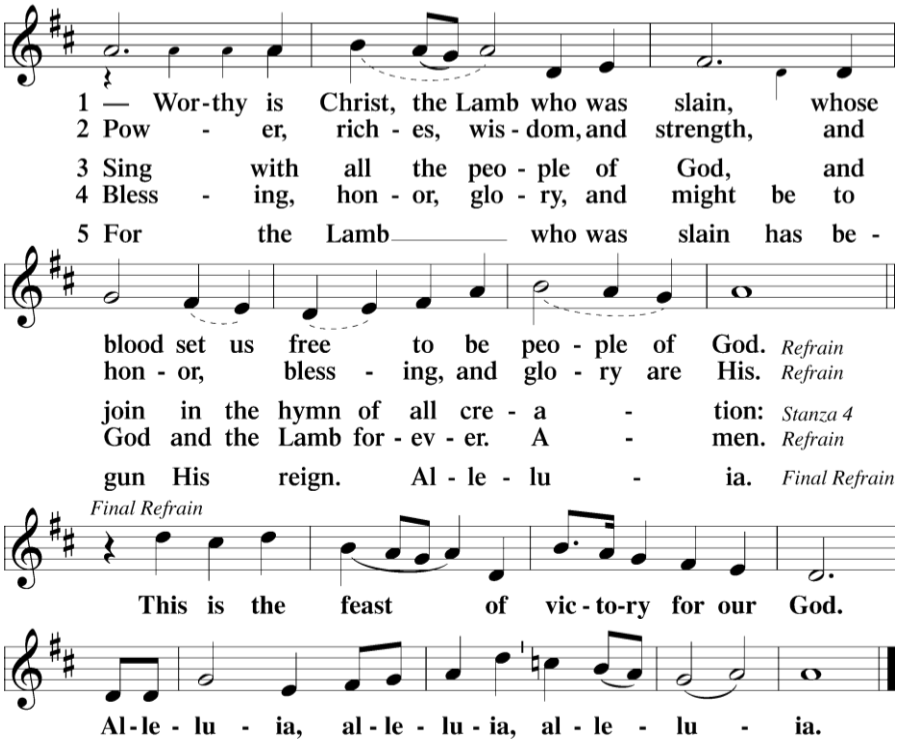
Kyrie Mark 10:47



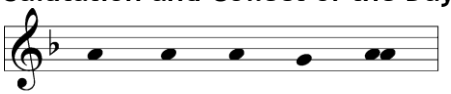


This Is the Feast
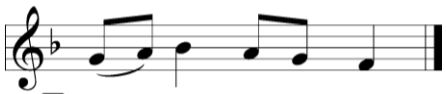




Salutation and Collect of the Day
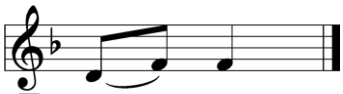


P The Lord be with you. 2 Timothy 4:22



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O Lord, absolve Your people from their offenses that from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our frailty we have brought upon ourselves, we may be delivered by Your bountiful goodness; 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.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading *Proverbs 8:11-22*

[11]For wisdom is better than jewels, and all that you may desire cannot compare with her. [12]"I, wisdom, dwell with prudence, and I find knowledge and discretion. [13]The fear of the LORD is hatred of evil. Pride and arrogance and the way of evil and perverted speech I hate. [14]I have counsel and sound wisdom; I have insight; I have strength. [15]By me kings reign, and rulers decree what is just; [16]by me princes rule, and nobles, all who govern justly. [17]I love those who love me, and those who seek me diligently find me. [18]Riches and honor are with me, enduring wealth and righteousness. [19]My fruit is better than gold, even fine gold, and my yield than choice silver. [20]I walk in the way of righteousness, in the paths of justice, [21]granting an inheritance to those who love me, and filling their treasuries. [22]"The LORD possessed me at the beginning of his work, the first of his acts of old."

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Psalm 44:7-8*

You have saved us from our foes
and have put to shame those who hate us.
In God we have boasted continually,
and we will give thanks to your name forever.

Epistle *Philippians 3:17-21*

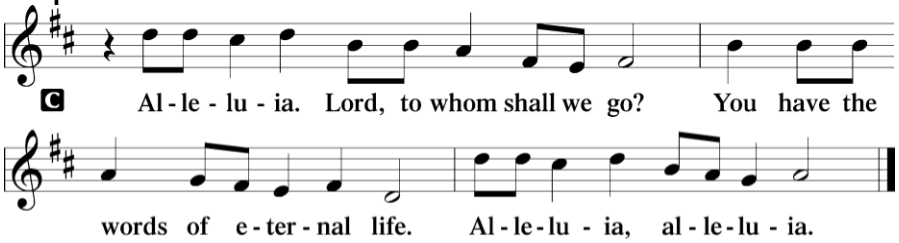
[17]Brothers, join in imitating me, and keep your eyes on those who walk according to the example you have in us. [18]For many, of whom I have often told you and now tell you even with tears, walk as enemies of the cross of Christ. [19]Their end is destruction, their god is their belly, and they glory in their shame, with minds set on earthly things. [20]But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, [21]who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

L This is the Word of the Lord.
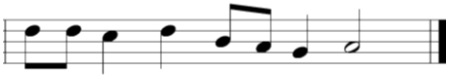
C **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand

Gospel Verse John 6:68



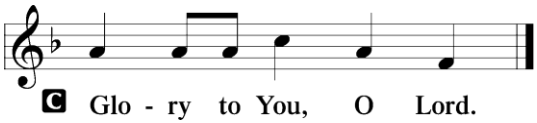
P You who fear the LORD, trust in the LORD! He is their help and their shield.



C Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
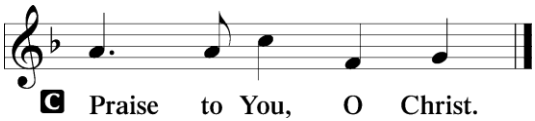
Holy Gospel *Mark 12:38-44*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 4th chapter.



[38]In his teaching [Jesus] said, "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes and like greetings in the marketplaces [39]and have the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, [40]who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation." [41]And he sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the offering box. Many rich people put in large sums. [42]And a poor widow came and put in two small copper coins, which make a penny. [43]And he called his disciples to him and said to them, "Truly, I say to you, this poor widow has put in more than all those who are contributing to the offering box. [44]For they all contributed out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty has put in everything she had, all she had to live on."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated

Children's Message (Parents of young children may also come forward with their children.)

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 787, "The Temple Rang with Golden Coins"

Sermon

Please stand

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.**
And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from
heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life ☩ of the world to come. Amen.

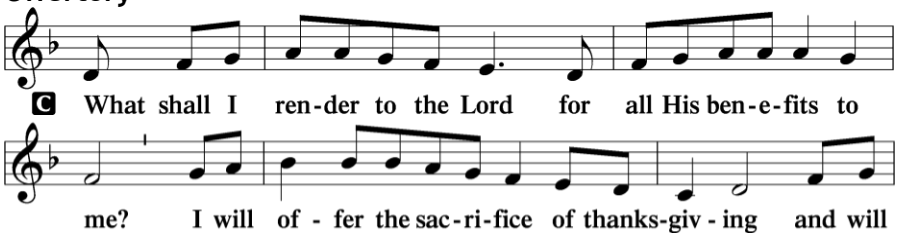
Prayer of the Church 1 Timothy 2:1-4
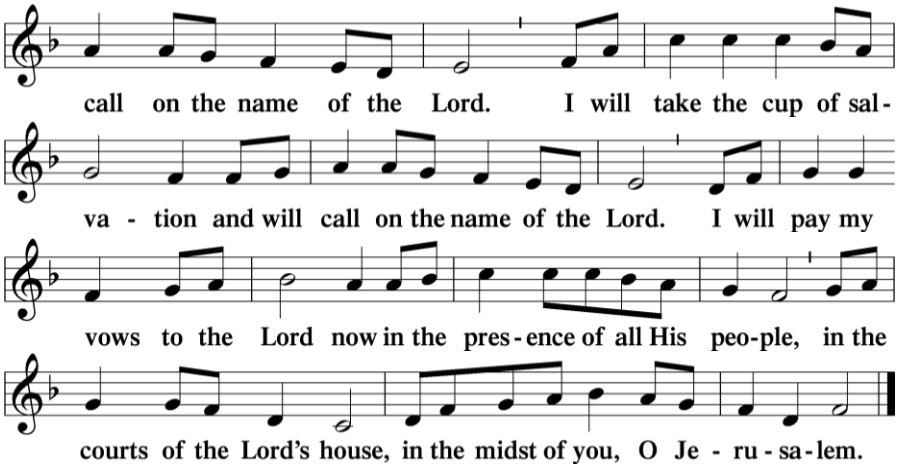
P Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

P *(Special petitions…)* Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

Offertory





Please be seated

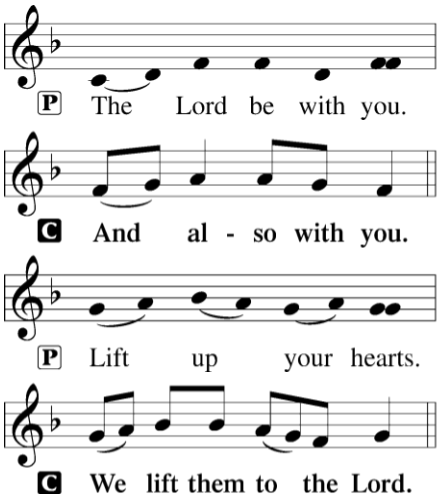
Offering *(During the Saturday service, please place your offering and attendance card in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.)*

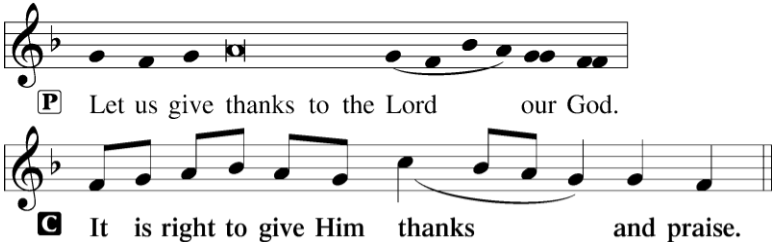
✠ Service of the Sacrament ✠

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Please stand

Preface 2 Timothy 4:22; Colossians 3:1; Psalm 136



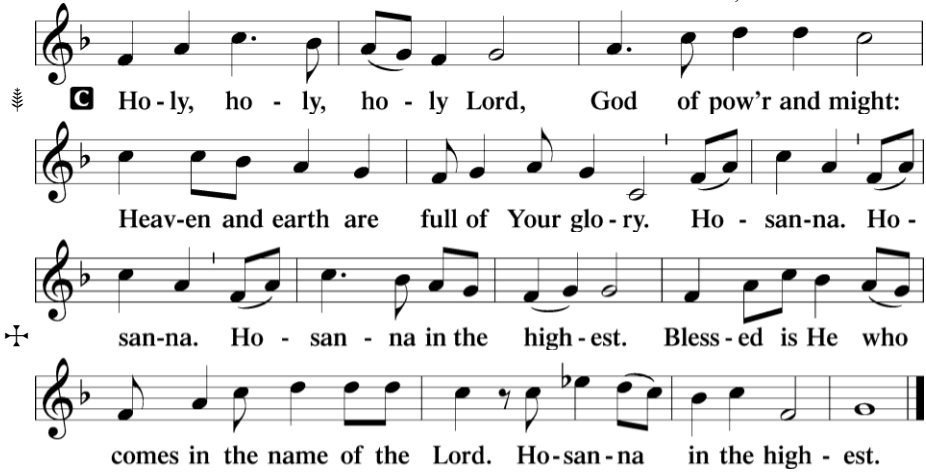


Proper Preface

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, having created all things, took on human flesh and was born of the virgin Mary. For our sake He died on the cross and rose from the dead to put an end to death, thus fulfilling Your will and gaining for You a holy people. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9
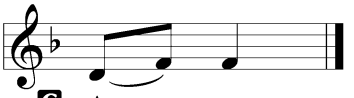


The Lord's Prayer Matthew 6:9-13

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.**

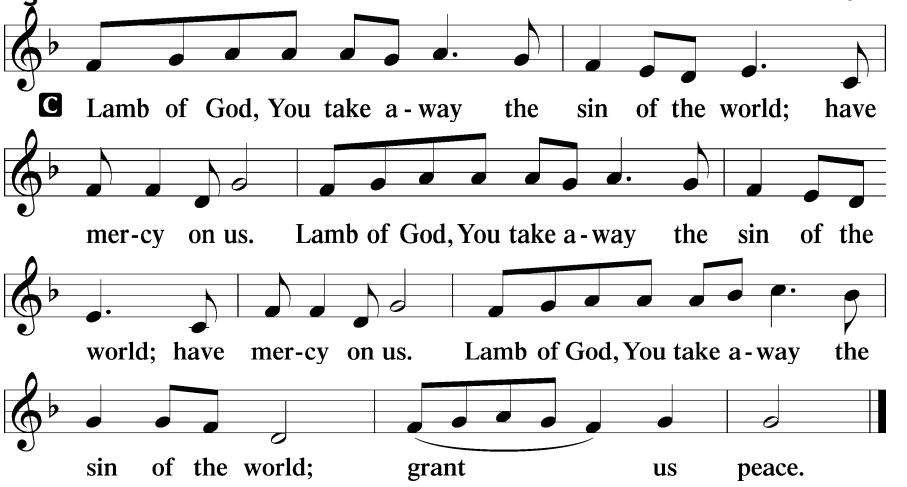
Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

Pax Domini John 20:19

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Agnus Dei John 1:29



Please be seated

Distribution

LSB 966, "Before You, Lord, We Bow"
LSB 788, "Forgive Us, Lord, for Shallow Thankfulness"
LSB 781, "We Give Thee But Thine Own"

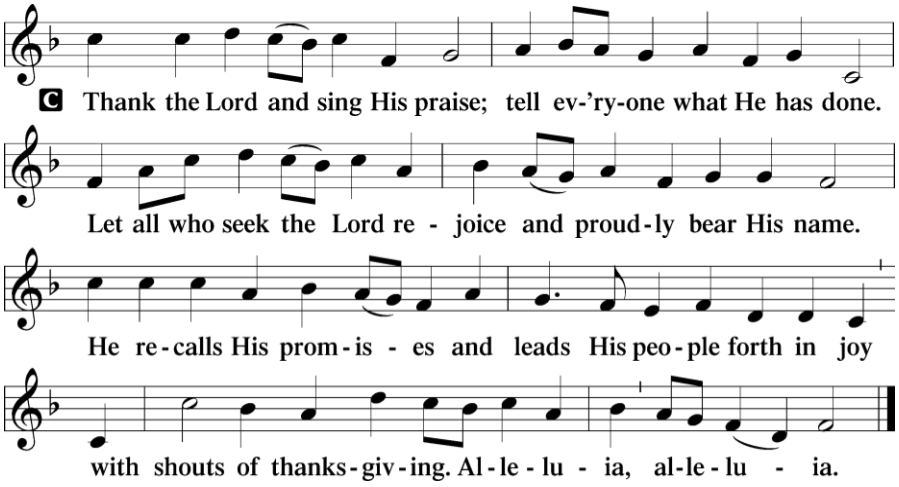
Please stand

Dismissal

P The body and blood… Depart ☩ in peace.

C **Amen.**
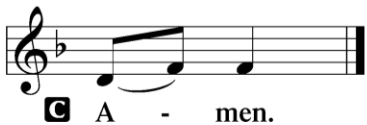
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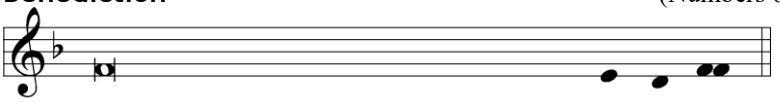
Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.
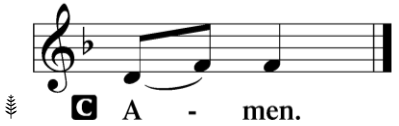
O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benedication (Numbers 6:24-26)



P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✢ give you peace.



C **A - men.**

Closing Hymn, *LSB* 850, "God of Grace and God of Glory"

Bells / Postlude

Worship Helpers

Saturday, November 7, 2026 - 5:30 p.m.
Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter
Server - Aaron Thompson
Altar Guild - Marlene Lieb & Nancy Rodenberg
Organist - Sarah Koester
Acolytes - Jase & Jagger Gregory
Media - Clark Deptula

Sunday, November 8, 2026 - 7:45 a.m.
Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter
Servers - Warren Frank & Jason Valerius
Acolytes - Eddie Arras & Nolan Prather
Music Director - Ann Frank
Lector - Warren Frank
Altar Guild - Pam Nagel & Kennedy Filipiak
Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather, Nolan Prather
Media - Don Birrittier

Sunday, November 8, 2026 - 10:15 a.m.
Pastor - Rev. Benjamin Hayter
Servers - Rodney Clamors & Seth Weinberg
Acolytes - Carolina Bradley & Henrik Bradley
Music Director - Ann Frank
Lector - Rodney Clamors
Altar Guild - Angie Broske
Ushers - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer, Henry Eggemeyer
Media/Facebook Live - Everly Dethrow

Ushers - Sunday, November 15, 2026
7:45 a.m. - Elden Niemeyer, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer, Jase Gregory
10:15 a.m. - Dusty Dethrow, Davin Dethrow, Collin Dethrow, Jacob Dethrow, Everly Dethrow

Acolytes - Sunday, November 15, 2026
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Kenzie Wiegand
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Lucas Garner & Amelia Deptula
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Henry Eggemeyer & Kate Nolte

Lectors - Sunday, Nov 15, 2026
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Daniel Niemeyer
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Seth Weinberg

Servers - Sunday, November 15, 2026
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Greg Wiegand
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Adam Eggemeyer
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Seth Weinberg

Altar Guild - Sunday, Nov 15, 2026
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Sally Thorburg
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Debbie Olsson
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Lindsey Dethrow

Media - Sunday, November 15, 2026
Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Gwen/Melissa Wiegand
Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Liam Garner
Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Ayda Eggemeyer

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Seth Weinberg, 1st year Field Education Student	
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Ms. Delana Whelan, Preschool Director	618-939-6480 or 618-443-8353

Youth Service Adventure!

Wednesday, November 11
Veteran's Day Holiday – no midweek!

Sign up on the GroupMe form or scan:

CHRISTIAN FRIENDS
OF NEW AMERICANS

LET'S WELCOME OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!

During our services on November 7-8, we will welcome our newest members who have been received in 2026. Be sure to join us and help officially welcome them into our Immanuel family!

These members are Caleb Arbeiter, Ruth Baker, Nick Guebert, Sarah Heizer, David & Susan Radden, and Krysta & Hudson Schmidt.

By the way, we plan to do this official welcome of our newest members every 6 months.



DAILY PRAYER

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.

Make haste, O God to deliver me;
make haste to help me, O Lord.

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.

Praise to you, O Christ. Alleluia.

The Hymn of the Season, or another appropriate hymn or psalm, may be sung or spoken.

The appointed reading from The Family at Prayer is read and discussed using the accompanying questions.

A portion of the Small or Large Catechism from The Congregation at Prayer is read and/or recited.

O Lord,
have mercy upon us.
O Christ,
have mercy upon us.
O Lord,
have mercy upon us.

Lord's Prayer

Prayers for others and ourselves

Concluding prayer:

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. **Amen.**

Let us bless the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Week 13: November 8-14

Catechetical Theme: The Close of the Commandments

This week we wrap up our examination of the Ten Commandments by taking a closer look at The Close of the Commandments. Here we will see that the LORD has two words which He speaks to His people, and both are promises. To those who hate his word; that is, to those who reject His word and refuse to repent of their sins, He promises wrath and punishment. But to those who love his word; that is those who receive His word, believe His Word, and have lives that are ordered according to it, He promises to show love and blessing. The LORD speaks a threatening Word of Law, and a comforting Word of Gospel. Both are God's Word. Both are true promises. And both are used by the LORD to accomplish His purposes. God bless your devotion!

Catechism: The Close of the Commandments

What does God say about all these commandments? 1st+

He says: "I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God, punishing the children for the sin of the fathers to the third and fourth generation of those who hate Me, but showing love to a thousand generations of those who love Me and keep My commandments." **[Ex. 20:5-6]**

What does this mean? 2nd+

God threatens to punish all who break these commandments. Therefore, we should fear His wrath and not do anything against them. But He promises grace and every blessing to all who keep these commandments. Therefore, we should also love and trust in Him and gladly do what He commands.

Readings for the Week

☐	Nov 9: Monday	James 4:12 – Able to Save and to Destroy
☐	Nov 10: Tuesday	John 1:17 – Law & Grace
☐	**Nov 11: Wed.**	**Exodus 20:5-6 – What God Says about the Commandments**
☐	Nov 12: Thursday	2 Corinthians 3:6 – Kills and Gives Life
☐	Nov 12: Friday	Romans 6:23 – Wages of Sin, Gift of God
☐	Nov 13: Saturday	Galatians 3:10-14 – Cursed by the Law, Saved Through Christ

Questions to Discuss in the Home

Mon – Sat: In each of this week's passages, identify what portion of the passage promises punishment, and which promises blessing. What parts are Law? What parts are Gospel? How does the passage reinforce the basic distinction between Law and Gospel? How should the passage shape us as faithful Christians?

Verse of the Week: Romans 6:23

The wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Hymn of the Season: *A Mighty Fortress is Our God (LSB 656)*



Therefore, as you received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, abounding in thanksgiving.
Colossians 2:6-7