

Immanuel Lutheran Church
Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



The Divine Service I
The Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 24, 2024
10:00am

3000 West Main Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

PRELUDE

WILL CANFIELD, PIANIST/ORGANIST

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH!

* *The congregation will stand for sections beginning with an asterisk.*

***ENTRANCE HYMN**

CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS

LSB 525



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The
 No an - gels in the sky, Can ful - ly bear that sight, But
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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*INVOCATION

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen

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

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

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

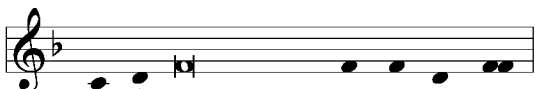
Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Cong: 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.**

Pastor: 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.

Cong: Amen

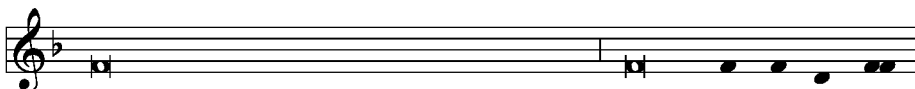
*KYRIE



A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



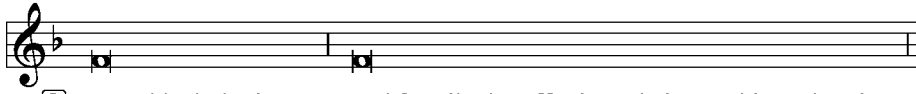
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



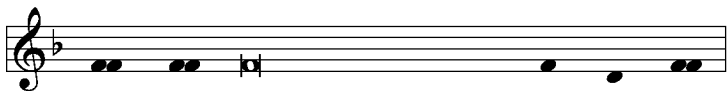
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C A - - - men.

*THIS IS THE FEAST

Refrain

C This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 — Wor-thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
 4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
 5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
 hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*
 gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*

Final Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.

Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

SERVICE OF THE WORD

*SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: **Amen.**

FIRST READING

ISAIAH 51:4-6 (ESV)

Lector: “Give attention to me, my people,
and give ear to me, my nation;
for a law will go out from me,
and I will set my justice for a light to the peoples.
My righteousness draws near,
my salvation has gone out,
and my arms will judge the peoples;
the coastlands hope for me,
and for my arm they wait.
Lift up your eyes to the heavens,
and look at the earth beneath;
for the heavens vanish like smoke,
the earth will wear out like a garment,
and they who dwell in it will die in like manner;
but my salvation will be forever,
and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM

PSALM 93 (ESV)

Lector: The Lord reigns; he is robed in majesty;

Cong: the Lord is robed; he has put on strength as his belt.

Lector: Yes, the world is established; it shall never be moved.

Cong: Your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.

Lector: The floods have lifted up, O Lord,

Cong: the floods have lifted up their voice;

Lector: the floods lift up their roaring.

Cong: Mightier than the thunders of many waters,

Lector: mightier than the waves of the sea,

Cong: the Lord on high is mighty!

Lector: Your decrees are very trustworthy;

Cong: holiness befits your house,

Lector: O Lord, forevermore.

Cong: 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.

SECOND READING

JUDE 20-25 (ESV)

Lector: But you, beloved, building yourselves up in your most holy faith and praying in the Holy Spirit, keep yourselves in the love of God, waiting for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ that leads to eternal life. And have mercy on those who doubt; save others by snatching them out of the fire; to others show mercy with fear, hating even the garment stained by the flesh.

Now to him who is able to keep you from stumbling and to present you blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy, to the only God, our Savior, through Jesus Christ our Lord, be glory, majesty, dominion, and authority, before all time and now and forever.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: **Thanks be to God.**

*ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the

words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

MARK 13:24-37 (ESV)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark the thirteenth chapter.



☐ Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

“But in those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory. And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

“From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is near. So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place. Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

“But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come. It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake. Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the rooster crows,^[c] or in the morning—lest he come suddenly and find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



☐ Praise to You, O Christ.

SERMON

REV. MARK COUCH

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Cong: Amen.

*HYMN OF THE DAY

ALL PRAISE TO THEE, FOR THOU, O KING DIVINE LSB 815



1 All praise to Thee, for Thou, O King di - vine,
2 Thou cam'st to us in low - li - ness of thought;
3 Let this mind be in us which was in Thee,
4 Where-fore, by God's e - ter - nal pur - pose, Thou
5 Let ev - 'ry tongue con - fess with one ac - cord,



Didst yield the glo - ry that of right was Thine,
By Thee the out - cast and the poor were sought;
Who wast a ser - vant that we might be free,
Art high ex - alt - ed o'er all crea - tures now,
In heav'n and earth, that Je - sus Christ is Lord,



That in our dark - ened hearts Thy grace might shine.
And by Thy death was God's sal - va - tion wrought.
Hum - bling Thy - self to death on Cal - va - ry.
And giv'n the name to which all knees shall bow.
And God the Fa - ther be by all a - dored.



Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!
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Al - le - lu - ia!
Al - le - lu - ia!

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***APOSTLES' CREED**

**Cong: 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.**

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Lector: O Almighty God, merciful Father, in this present life of sin and suffering Your Holy Church longs for the return of Christ. Give us grace to make a good confession and strength to stand firm in the faith, ever watchful for His coming in power and glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Gracious God, bestow strength and steadfastness on the pastors and missionaries of Your Church, that in these gray and latter days Your little flock may be nurtured and built up to the praise of Christ, who called us out of darkness into His marvelous light. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Most merciful God and Father, give grace to Your Holy Church throughout the world, that she may serve You with reverence and awe and endure faithful to the end. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: O King of glory, Lord of hosts, in humility Your only-begotten Son stood before governors and kings and was accused unjustly for our sake. Defend the cause of the weak and those who have no voice in our society, particularly the unborn, the poor and the homeless. Give the government of our nation the fortitude to serve its citizens and strive for fairness and justice. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: O God, with all creation we look in eager expectation toward our final redemption at the revelation of Your Son. Until that day, sustain those who live under the cross. Give them patience and hope, and grant healing and aid to the sick, especially those on our prayer list and those held closely in our hearts (*pause*). Draw near to the dying. Hold them in the arms of Your love, and defend them against the final assaults of the evil one. Comfort those who mourn with the hope of the resurrection of the body to eternal life. Give us faith to believe that, in such crosses, You work all things for our good. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Almighty God, make each communicant worthy to receive Christ's body and blood this day, that they would do so with a repentant heart and in faith, not to their judgment but for their salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all generations. Receive our thanks and praise for all those who have died in the faith, and bring us with them to share in the splendors of the new heavens and the new earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Pastor: O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Rejoicing in His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

***PEACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

*Please greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

LET US BE BREAD

IMMANUEL CHOIR

Chorus

*Let us be bread, blessed by the Lord,
broken and shared, life for the world.*

Let us be wine, love freely poured.

Let us be one in the Lord.

- 1. I am the bread of life,
broken for all.
Eat now and hunger no more. (Chorus)*
- 2. You are my friends if you keep my commands,
no longer servants but friends. (Chorus)*
- 3. See how my people have nothing to eat.
Give them the bread that is you. (Chorus)*
- 4. As God has loved me so
I have loved you.
Go and live on in my love. (Chorus)*



We ask our guests to review our understanding and practice of communion on the back page of this worship folder.

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

***PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

Cong: **We lift them to the Lord.**

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God

Cong: **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor: 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 ~ HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
san-na. Ho - san - na in the high-est. Bless-ed is He who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

Pastor: As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.

Cong: Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Pastor: O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

*LORD'S PRAYER

Cong: 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.

*PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong: Amen.

*AGNUS DEI ~ LAMB OF GOD

□ Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION

{INTENTIONAL PAUSE FOR SILENT MEDITATION}

COMMUNION HYMNS

THE KING OF LOVE MY SHEPHERD IS

LSB 709



1 The King of love my shep - herd is, Whose good - ness
2 Where streams of liv - ing wa - ter flow, My ran - somed
3 Per - verse and fool - ish oft I strayed, But yet in
4 In death's dark vale I fear no ill With Thee, dear



fail - eth nev - er; I noth - ing lack if
soul He lead - eth And, where the ver - dant
love He sought me And on His shoul - der
Lord, be - side me, Thy rod and staff my



I am His And He is mine for - ev - er.
pas - tures grow, With food ce - les - tial feed - eth.
gent - ly laid And home re - joic - ing brought me.
com - fort still, Thy cross be - fore to guide me.

5 *Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And, oh, what transport of delight
From Thy pure chalice floweth!*

6 *And so through all the length of days
Thy goodness faileth never;
Good Shepherd, may I sing Thy praise
Within Thy house forever!*

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O SAVIOR, PRECIOUS SAVIOR

LSB 527



1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, Whom yet un - seen we love;
2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, Who won - drous - ly hast wrought
3 In Thee all full - ness dwell - eth, All grace and pow'r di - vine;
4 O grant the con - sum - ma - tion Of this our song a - bove



O name of might and fa - vor, All oth - er names a - bove,
Thy - self the rev - e - la - tion Of love be - yond our thought,
The glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is Thine.
In end - less ad - o - ra - tion And ev - er - last - ing love;



We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
We wor - ship Thee, we bless Thee, To Thee, O Christ, we sing;
Then shall we praise and bless Thee Where per - fect prais - es ring,



We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our ho - ly Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our gra - cious Lord and King.
We praise Thee and con - fess Thee, Our glo - rious Lord and King.
And ev - er - more con - fess Thee, Our Sav - ior and our King!

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***POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

THANK THE LORD



☐ Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

***POST-COMMUNION COLLECT**

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

THE KING SHALL COME WHEN MORNING DAWNS

LSB 348



- 1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light tri - um-phant breaks,
- 2 Not as of old a lit - tle child, To bear and fight and die,
- 3 Oh, bright-er than the ris - ing morn When Christ, vic - to-rious, rose
- 4 Oh, bright-er than that glo - rious morn Shall dawn up - on our race
- 5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns And light and beau - ty brings.



When beau - ty gilds the east - ern hills And life to joy a-wakes.
But crowned with glo - ry like the sun That lights the morn-ing sky.
And left the lone-some place of death De - spite the rage of foes.
The day when Christ in splen-dor comes And we shall see His face.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo - ple pray: Come quick-ly, King of kings!

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*BENEDICAMUS AND BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face to shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

Cong: Amen.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Please note the following: The Mary Martha Guild is having our final meeting of 2024 on **Tuesday, December 3rd, beginning @ 5:30pm!** We will fill stockings for shut-ins and have hors d'oeuvres in the community room on the garden level of the church. If any congregation ladies are interested in coming, please text or call Amber Townsend at 269-599-6268.

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.



ILLNESS/SPECIAL NEED: **Miranda Westphal's mother** has been placed in Hospice care, since there is no hope of recovery for her. Her muscles, especially those involved with breathing, no longer work adequately. Please pray for a comfortable and peaceful end to her life.

Rev. Richard Miller, long-time friend of Brian Long, has Stage III prostate cancer.

GRIEF:

Sandy (Clarke) Schairer of Albuquerque, Ted Clarke's sister, passed away Saturday, Nov. 2, 2024.

Charles Quandt, Christa Perri's father, passed away Oct. 22, 2024.

Cherri Mitchell, friend of Ted & Rita Clarke, passed away Oct. 2, 2024.

THANKSGIVING:

HOMEBOUND: Marian Brugh, Marlys Olson, Ellen Plano, Jan Wilson, John Curtiss, Vince Marshall, Jerome Dirst, and Beth Mitchell.

IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

LONG TERM CONCERNS

Rose Maxum , requested by Chuck and Amber Townsend	Susan & Gregory Fritz , Stephanie Beck's parents
Amy Stillwell , sister of Dave Reynolds	Mary Ann Massey , friend of Dotty Smith
Carol Quandt , Christa Perri's mother	Lucille and Lawrence Fritz , requested by Jonathan Fritz
Bob Perri , brother of Phil Perri	Craig Rennhack , requested by Bob & Maryalice Reck
John Blasko , requested by Elizabeth Blasko	Mindy Mitchell , sister of Shelly Reynolds
Kyle Reinbold Family , requested by Kyle's sister, Sonya DeVary	James Leo Brown , requested by Shelly and Dave Reynolds
Karen McDougall , requested by Sue Steuer	Jim Sabo , friend of Susan Steuer
Katie VerKow , former member of Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Sue Steuer's sister-in-law Christine's mother Elaine, and her daughter-in-law Molly
Vicki Dille y, requested by Christa & Phil Perri	Suzie Brink , Christie Sidwell's mother and Bill Brink , her brother
Joanne Cleason , Esther Cleason's daughter	Melissa , friend of Dotty Smith and daughter Laura
Marie Winberg , godmother of Bill Bennett	Hannah Bayer , 4 y.o., requested by her father
Lisa and David Wentzel , Sue Steuer's cousins	Jerry and Sandi McKenzie , friends of Dotty Smith
Ware Washam , requested by Brian Long	Sandy Hale , requested by Stephen Presdorf
Caroline Barkow	Jeri Noneman
Gene Jennings	Kay Hecht , John Hecht's mother
Loren Gerber , Sue Anderson's father	Beth and Bob Mitchell
Alice Schley , Jane Schley's granddaughter	Charlie Miller , Marian Brugh's brother
Toni —Jane Schley's cousin	Jason , son-in-law of Sue & Craig Anderson
Sharon S. , requested by Dotty Smith	Karen Petersen , daughter of Cathy & Tom Mollet
Ruth Krueger	Jason Nichols , requested by Justin Beck
Deb , friend of Sue Steuer	Marilyn Borgeson , Annie Hecht's grandmother
Sophie Rose Verile , Brindley's grandniece	Lynne Partridge , friend of Christa Perri
Kim N., Kim M., Emilie H., & Sydney B. , all friends of Kim Sharp; and River Lint , Kim's cousin's baby	
All Crossroads Prison Ministry students from all congregations around the country	
Immanuel members: Gail Stewart, Dolly Bryan, Cathy Mollet, Shelly Reynolds, Tina Lauer, Vince Marshall, Jerome Dirst & John Miller	

CHURCH CALENDAR

NOVEMBER'S MISSION: **LCMS MICHIGAN DISTRICT**

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
24 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNION SERVICE (COUCH) 11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	25	26 10:00AM BIBLE STUDY @ ILC RE: BOOK OF GENESIS 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	27 THANKSGIVING EVE 7:00PM COMMUNION SERVICE (IQBAL)	28 	29	30
DEC 1 9:15 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL COMMUNION SERVICE (QUARDOKUS) 11:30AM ADULT CLASS & CHILDREN'S CHOIR	2	3 10:00AM BIBLE STUDY @ ILC RE: BOOK OF GENESIS 5:30PM MARY/MARTHA RECEPTION 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ IMMANUEL	4 7:00PM ADVENT SERVICE (IQBAL)	5 11AM-12:30PM CHOIR REHEARSAL	6	7
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Worship Assistants/Serving Schedule

	Acolyte	Altar	Usher	Lector	Worship Assistant	Coffee Hour
Sunday 11/24/2024	Genevieve Miller & Adelaide Jefferies	Kim Sharp	John Hecht	Ninah Miller	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Jane Schley
Wednesday Thanksgiving Eve 11/27/24	NA	Amber Townsend	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sunday 12/1/2024	Maddie Hernandez & Elijah Lawrence	Patti Wills	Kim Sharp	John Quardokus	Mark Miller & Andrew Lustila	Amber & Chuck Townsend
Wednesday Advent 12/4/24	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sunday 12/8/2024	Cailyn Hecht & Norah Lawrence	Amber Townsend	John Wagner	Dave Mandrick	Denny Patzer & John Quardokus	Sue & John Wagner
Wednesday Advent 12/11/24	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sunday 12/15/2024	Linus Mandrick & Rory Beck	Jane Schley	Ron Swinehart	John Hecht	John Quardokus & John Wagner	Maryalice— Coffee Alicia— Snacks
Wednesday Advent 12/18/24	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sunday 12/22/2024	Eliora Beck & Caviion Beck	Sally Crawford	John Hecht	Andrew Lustila	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	AnnMarie & Philip Miller

Sunday, November 24: Mark Your Calendars!!



Join Us to Make an Advent Wreath!

Starts at 3:00pm:

Come join us in the Fellowship Hall and make a **Family Advent Wreath or Wreath Banner**

(A banner is appropriate for small children).

ALSO



Men's Chili Cook-Off

Starts at 4:30pm

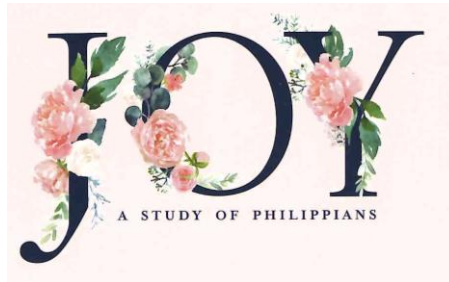
(after the Advent Wreath-Making)

- **Everyone** is welcome to come to both events...get the kids involved! Never had an Advent Wreath or Wreath Banner? This is the place to make your first one!! Invite your friends and family...and **please** sign up!
- There is a **sign-up poster in the Narthex** for both wreath/banner-making and chili-making. You can also sign up to bring other foods, such as corn bread, crackers, corn chips and desserts. (Beverages will be provided.)
- We have candles and wreaths for **10 wreaths**; there will be a nominal fee required for each.
- **One wreath per family please.**
- We will provide the four Advent candles (3 purple, 1 rose), a wreath form and some decorations...keeping to the theme of white, gold, and silver. You can bring any decorations you prefer as well.
- There are ample supplies for **wreath banners**; there will be a nominal fee for those supplies.

MUGS & MUFFINS

Women's Bible Study

ON



Starting Saturday, January 11, 2024

(The 2nd Saturday of the Month)

In the church kitchen

10am - 11am

Philippians is known as the book of "joy"! Join the women of the congregation for a study on this Book of the Bible. A Study Book will be required.

Coffee, tea, and muffins will be provided.

Bring a friend!

Questions? Call Amber Townsend at 269-599-6268





THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our Belief and Practice

Our congregation believes that Holy Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. Out of loving concern for the communicants and our understanding of the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, we request that those who commune here:

1. Be Baptized Christians.
2. Are mature enough to examine themselves, recognizing their sin and their need for God's grace. (*1 Corinthians 11:28*)
3. Believe that in Holy Communion they receive Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the gracious remission of their sins. (*Matthew 26:26-28*)
3. Do so without giving offense to others. (i.e., Willing to forgive and be reconciled) (*Matthew 18:15-17*)

Guests of the congregation, who are instructed in Luther's Small Catechism, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. All others are asked to speak with the pastor regarding the sacrament. Non-communicating children may join their parents. Communicants may choose from the Common Cup or individual cups.

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