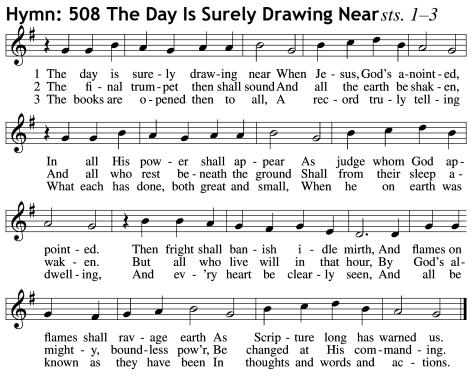


Last Sunday of the

Church Year

Immanuel Lutheran Church – LCMS Lakefield, Minnesota November 20th, 2022



Stand

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



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

- 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.
- **C** Amen.

Sit

Service of the Word

Psalm

Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7

God is our refuge and strength,

a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,

though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

though its waters roar and foam,

though the mountains tremble at its swelling. There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved; God will help her when morning dawns.

The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;

he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Come, behold the works of the LORD,

how he has brought desolations on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the chariots with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God.

I will be exalted among the nations,

I will be exalted in the earth!"

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

Hymn Insert: I AM Forever Who I AM (Choir vs 1, 4) (Women vs 2) (Men vs 3) (All vs 5-6)

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

P Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Malachi 3:13–18

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

"Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.""

Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. "They shall be mine, says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle

Colossians 1:13–20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

G Glory to You, O Lord.

And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. And Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- **C** Praise to You, O Christ.

Sit

Children's Message: What is Paradise?

Hymn of the Day: 561 The Tree of Life



Sermon: Return to Paradise

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

worshiped 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.

Offering



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Prayer of the Church

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

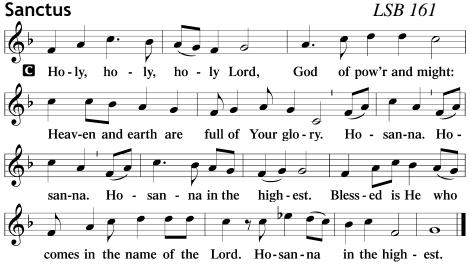
- **P** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And also with you.

- **P** Lift up your hearts.
- **C** We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

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:



Prayer of Thanksgiving

LSB 161

Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-

availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, 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. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 162

- Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us 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.

The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was

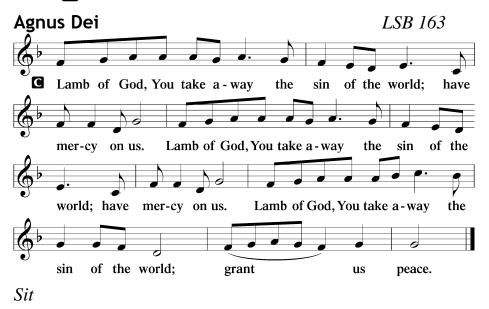
betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My + body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

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."

Pax Domini

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P The peace of the Lord be with you always.C Amen.

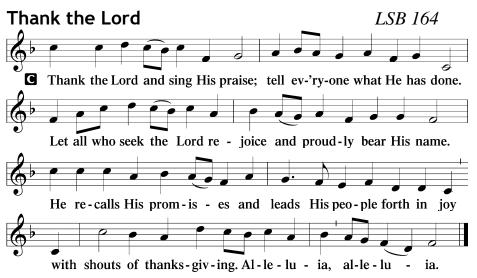


Distribution

Hymn: 435 Come to Calvary's Holy Mountain Hymn: 549 All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name Hymn: 750 If Thou But Trust in God to Guide Thee In dismissing the communicants, the following is said: P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.

C Amen.

Stand



Post-Communion Collect

A 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 in 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.

C Amen.

Benediction

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

LSB 166

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



Hymn of Depart: 508 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

sts. 4–7
4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but car - nal plea-sures, 5 My Sav - ior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smit - ten; 6 May Christ our in - ter - ces - sor be And through His blood and mer - it 7 O Je - sus Christ, do not de - lay, But has - ten our sal - va - tion;
Who here de-spised His pre-cious Word And loved their earth - ly With - in the Book of Life I know My name has now been Read from His book that we are free With all who life in- We of - ten trem - ble on our way In fear and trib - u -
trea - sures! writ - ten. her - it. la - tion. With shame and trem-bling they will stand And at the With shame and trem-bling they will stand And at the is an free, And Sa - tan Then we shall see Him face to face, With all His O hear and grant our fer - vent plea: Come, might - y
judg - e's stern com - mand To Sa - tan be de - liv - ered. can - not threat - en me; There is no con - dem - na - tion! saints in that blest place Which He has pur-chased for us. judge, and set us free From death and ev - 'ry e - vil.

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Assisting with the Service

Preacher Pastor Phil Beukema
Elder Albert Henning & Steve Matasovsky
Organist Brenda Matasovsky
Acolyte Grady Rossow and Kaelyn Swanson-Voight
Usher

We Remember in our Prayers

Juliet Joy Livermont, granddaughter of Luke and Lori Henning, baptized 11/10

- Cody Hennings, friend of Brooke Rossow, dealing with health issues
- Luann Carlson, sister of Roger Carlson, dealing with health issues
- Mike Conro, friend of Pastor and Brandi Beukema, dealing with health issues
- *Tina Olson, sister of Amy Altman, recovering from surgery Steve Hall in hospice*

Our residents at Colonial Manor, Valley View, Meadows and Golden Horizons in Worthington, Keelson Harbour and Accura HealthCare in Spirit Lake, Pathstone in Mankato, Good Sam in Jackson, Temperance Lake Ridge in Sherburn, Accura HealthCare in Milford

Ines Henning, Don Schulz, Chuck Bergmann, Darlene Froderman, Betty Hage, Dave Ackermann, Berniece Kolander, Joyce Rossow, Bev Hall, Darlene Stender, dealing with health issues

Jean Bass; Lori Koerselman, friend of Amy Altman; Pastor Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son of Lila Voehl; Glen Crowley, nephew of Delores Janssen; Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce Bretzman; Syd Malchow; Carol Olson, from Wisconsin; Denny Daberkow; Duwayne Hoffman, father of Tracey Beeck; Jim Salentiny, uncle of Mark Freking; dealing with cancer

Brent Pavelko, son-in-law of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar; Charlotte Swarm, daughter of David and Inez Kosen; Kelly Hatfield, friend of Jan Bakalyar; Presley Hansen, granddaughter of Dave and Carolyn Hansen; Pastor Travis Loeslie, Bethlehem Morristown; Jeff Meyer, friend of Jan Bakalyar; Rob Pohlman, son of Ken Pohlman; Jacob Boe, son of Rose Parrington; Curt Gates, brother-in-law of Miles Voehl (Lila's son), dealing with health issues All those affected by COVID-19 First Responders Our Missionaries in the Field Our Country and Our Military

WE WELCOME all of our guests and visitors this weekend. We invite you to visit us again. If you have no church home and would like to make Immanuel your church home, please speak to Pastor Beukema or to one of the Elders at the end of the service.

COMMUNION: The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper is being offered to our confirmed communicants today and is administered in accordance with the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions. It is celebrated in the confidence that we truly receive, under the bread and wine, the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, through which we further truly receive the forgiveness of sins. Besides individually receiving Christ's gift of forgiveness in this Sacrament, all those who commune here make a confession of their unity in the faith as it is believed and taught in our Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod and in this congregation. Therefore, if you are not a confirmed communicant member, in good standing, of a Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod congregation, we kindly ask that you respect our beliefs and refrain from coming to the altar to receive the Sacrament until you have had an opportunity to speak with Pastor.



IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE you may call the church office at 507-662-5718, Pastor Beukema at 715-614-4123, or speak to one of the elders.

THERE WILL BE NO MONDAY EVENING SERVICES during the week of Thanksgiving, during Advent, following Christmas Day, and following New Year's Day. These dates are November 21, November 28, December 5, December 12, December 19, December 26, and January 2.

ADVENT DEVOTIONS from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available in both regular and large print on the welcome center in the narthex. This year's devotions are called "A Son is Given". Please help yourself to a copy.

There are also Advent Devotions available from Martin Luther High School, Northrop. This one is called "Faith Full" and the devotions are written by Martin Luther High School staff and students. Please help yourself to a copy.

Advent begins on Sunday, November 27th.

OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED on Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th so our staff can spend the Thanksgiving holiday with their families.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS

- Scrip orders are now due on Mondays by 8:30 a.m. and will be ready to pick up on the following Monday.
- Basketball practice has started.
- PARENT PICK UP DAY NO JCC BUS AFTER SCHOOL – MONDAY 11/21
- PARENT DRIVE DAY NO JCC OR HLO BUS WEDNESDAY 11/23
- NO SCHOOL THURSDAY 11/24 & FRIDAY 11/25

FOOD DRIVE for the Lakefield Food Shelf is going on right now. You are invited to bring items to the church any time during November and place them in the narthex. Your items may also be taken to Maynard's. Monetary gifts are also appreciated and can be dropped off here at the church (give to Amy), at City Hall, or mailed to the Lakefield Food Shelf, PO Box 115, Lakefield, MN 56150.

OKTOBERFEST INFORMATIONAL MEETING is on Tuesday, November 29th at 6:30 p.m. in the church basement. This will give those interested in Oktoberfest a chance to ask questions and see what is needed to run it. NO COMMITMENTS! It is a time also to bring up new ideas (it doesn't have to be run the same). For Oktoberfest to continue, we do need people to be on the committee. Please try to attend the meeting if possible, but if you are interested and cannot make it to the meeting, let one of the current committee members know (some members are: Beth Carlson, Joel or Dory Poppe, Dewayne or Donna Hage, Dave or Carolyn Hansen) by December 5th. **LWML CHRISTMAS PARTY** is on Sunday, December 11th at 11:00 a.m. in the church basement. Please note the date and time change. A potluck lunch will be served. Bring a dish to pass if you're able. Ham and Cheesy Potatoes will be served. Hostesses are the LWML members. All ladies are welcome to join them!

SUBMISSIONS FOR THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER need to be turned in to Amy in the office by November 25th.

Everyone is invited...

Volunteer Appreciation Supper Wednesday, December 14 5:30-6:45 p.m.

All are encouraged to come for community and friendship (and of course food!). This is our way of saying thank you to everyone in the congregation for all you do for our church.

> Meal is sponsored by the Board of Congregational Services and the Board of Elders.

We are blessed with a wonderful church family!

to Our Volunteers

THANKSGIVING CARDS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS are now

available at the bookstore. Come check out the wonderful selection. You can either pay Amy in the church office or leave your money in the empty box by the cards. *There is also a variety of Christmas gift bags with a religious theme available. Stop and take a look!*

FUDGE FUNDRAISER: Our 7th-8th grade students are selling fudge as a fundraiser for their class trip in May. In addition to the many varieties of half-pound fudge, there are also individually wrapped caramels. Cost is \$8 for both. If you are not asked, but would like to order, stop by and see Amy in the church office. Last day to order is November 27th.

CHRISTMAS FORMS for the SHARING TREE are out. Forms may be picked up at the Library, Maynard's, the Food Shelf or call Connie at 507/841-3350. If possible, please return forms by November 21st to the Lakefield Food Shelf.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE is on Christmas Eve, December 24th at 4:00 p.m. The Sunday School students will begin practice today and invite all of you to join them for worship on Christmas Eve as they tell the story of the birth of Jesus in "This Shall be a Sign Unto You".

PORTALS OF PRAYER: Are you interested in writing a submission for Portals of Prayer? If you are go to www1.cph.org/portals/write/aspx to find out the guidelines and how to submit a sample. You will also have to fill out a potential writer profile. This needs to be done by noon on January 16, 2023. Selected writers will be notified by the end of March 2023. Any questions can be sent to Rev. Scott Kinnaman at portals@cph.org.

ILS CHRISTMAS SERVICE is on Wednesday, December 21st at 12:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to hear our school children tell the story of Jesus' birth in "Shepherds, Sheep, and a SAVIOR!"

REDCROSS BLOODMOBILE will be here at the Immanuel Lutheran Activity Center on Tuesday, December 6th from 1:00-6:00 p.m. For appointments call 800-733-2767 or online at ww.redcrossblood.org with sponsor code: LAKEFIELDMN.

OUR BAND STUDENTS will perform in the "O Magnum Mysterium" Christmas Concert on Saturday, December 17th at 7:00 p.m. at the Fairmont Opera House. They will be joined by other elementary band students. The Martin Luther High School band will also perform along with the MLHS Choir. Admission is a freewill donation. The Fairmont Opera House is located at 45 Downtown Plaza in Fairmont.

WE NEED YOUR HELP: We are looking for members to help with ushering. Please check out the sign-up sheet on the window in the narthex and write yourself in for a service if you are able to. Questions on ushering? Please ask one of our elders.

18th ANNUAL BETTY HUSSONG SOUP & PIE will be at Dudley's Garage on Friday, December 2nd from 11:00-2:00. A freewill donation will be accepted (\$10 suggested) with all proceeds going to the local food shelves. On the menu is soup, pies, buns from Z'Bakery, and Simply Sweet Cheesecake. Bring hats, mittens, canned foods, and diapers if able. Meal is hosted by Kozy Heat Fireplaces. Dudley's Garage is located at 103 Main Street in Lakefield. Wondering where you can watch this service?

- 1. Facebook: "Immanuel Lutheran Church" on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. or any time after.
- 2. YouTube: "Immanuel Lutheran Church and School Lakefield" on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. or any time after.
- 3. Southwest Broadband Stream TV channel 70 on Sundays at 12:30 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

POINTS OF INFORMATION November 13, 2022
Current Fund received this past week\$13,374
Needed each week\$15,599
Non-Budget Giving
Building\$104
Video Ministry\$70
Current Fund needed for October\$62,396
Offering Received in October\$41,856
+ Tuition Received in October\$11,236
= Current Fund Total October\$53,092
Worshipping on Sunday, November 13: 151
If you have any questions, please call Cheryl Ulferts

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL...

Sunday, November 20 8:30 AM Worship with Communion 8:30 AM Facebook Live Worship Service 9:30 AM Sunday School and Bible Class 12:30 PM SW Broadstream Worship Service 7:00 PM SW Broadstream Worship Service Monday, November 21 NO WORSHIP SERVICE 6:10 PM Bell Choir 7:10 PM Choir Tuesday, November 22 **Board of Elders Meeting** 7:00 PMWednesday, November 23 8:20 AM Chapel 1:50 PM Confirmation 6:30 PM **Board of Trustees Meeting** Board of Ed Meeting 6:30 PM 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Worship Service Thursday, November 24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING NO SCHOOL **OFFICES CLOSED** Friday, November 25 NO SCHOOL **OFFICES CLOSED** Sunday, November 27 First Sunday in Advent 8:30 AM Worship Facebook Live Worship Service 8:30 AM 9:30 AM Sunday School and Bible Class 9:45 AM **Board of Finance Meeting** 12:30 PM SW Broadstream Worship Service 7:00 PM SW Broadstream Worship Service Monday, November 28 NO WORSHIP SERVICE 6:10 PM Bell Choir 7:00 PM Joint Boards and Church Council 7:10 PM Choir Tuesday, November 29 6:30 PM Oktoberfest Informational Meeting Wednesday, November 30 1:00 PM Advent Chapel 1:50 PM Confirmation 7:00 PM Advent Worship

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