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(Proper Preface)

P: It is 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; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and arch-angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

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WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Worship w/HC 10:15 am
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30 pm, Confirmation Meeting 6:30 pm
Next SUNDAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Thanksgiving Meal , Youth Meeting 5:30 pm

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Oct 29: 35 LS: 32; Sun. Oct. 30: 8 am: 69; 10:15 am: 69

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the following: Somers, Mark and Debbie; Soulsby, Rex; Speicher, Bryce, Jessica, Jayden, Brylee and Violet.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Confirmation Class Meeting: Saturday, November 12 6:30 pm
Thanksgiving Meal: Sunday, November 13 following the 10:15 am service.
Youth Group: Sundays, November 13 and 27 at 5:30 pm
Special Voter's Meeting: Sunday, November 20 following the 10:15 am service. Voter's Meeting held for Election of 2023 Officers and 2023 Budgets. All members are welcome to attend.
Thanksgiving Worship Service: Wednesday, November 24 w/HC at 7 pm
Mid-Week Advent Meals begin at 6:10 pm
Mid-Week Advent Worship: Wednesday, November 30 at 7 pm
Children's Christmas Program: December 11 during the 10:15 am service

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING CONGREGATIONAL MEAL: Our annual Thanksgiving meal with our church family will be on Sunday, November 13th after the 10:15 AM service. The fellowship committee will be providing the Turkey, Ham, Dressing, Mashed potatoes, Gravy, Rolls and Drinks. Please bring your favorite side dish and/or dessert. This is a great time to try out that new dish before serving at your family dinner. Many times people want to know the recipe for these yummy dishes. If you would like to share your recipe feel free to bring a copy to the meal. We are looking forward to this event with our church family.

SCRIP NEWS: It's a good time to begin thinking of your holiday grocery shopping and gift giving needs. All SCRIP cards are not available each month, so shop early to make sure you get the cards you need. SCRIP also is a good way to give back to Immanuel as well.

Some Vendors have been added and others that are not participating in the program have been deleted. A complete list of vendors are in the SCRIP Binder on the table in the lounge hallway, along with extra copies if you would like one.

ORDERS WILL BE PLACED THE FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER.

Turn your orders into, Waverlyn Karch in the church office or put in the SCRIP MAILBOX in the lounge hallway.

ADVENT THEMES FOR WEDNESDAY MID-WEEK SERVICES

The Seven Stars of Advent and Christmas Eve - Eighth Star on Christmas Day

Mid-Week Advent One: November 30 at 7 pm *"The Star of Promise"*

Sunday, December 4 *"The Star of Light"*

Mid-Week Advent Two: December 7 at 7 pm *"The Star of Fulfillment"*

Sunday, December 11 *"The Star of Glory"*

Mid-Week Advent Three: December 14 at 7 pm *"The Star of Grace"*

Youth Christmas Service Sunday, December 18 *"The Star of Hope"*

Christmas Eve - Sunday, December 24 at 5:30 pm & 10 pm *"The Star of Life"*

Christmas Day – Sunday, December 25 at 9:30 am *"The Star of Bethlehem"* No Sunday

School – One Service

There will be an **ADVENT MEAL** before each service starting at 6:10 pm. Please plan on attending and enjoying good fellowship. Advent is our time of remembrance and preparation to humbly celebrate the Lord's birth. It is always good to be reminded of how the promises of God came true in the birth of His only-begotten Son.



About the Cover

Whether the sun has risen or set on labors of the saints of the Lord in this life, all in heaven and on earth exult in the glory of Christ. For the Church spreads both geographically across the world and also temporarily across all time. God be praised! He has brought forgiveness through Christ Jesus, who not only has gone to the grave but also rose from the dead to never die again (Romans 6:9).

ALL SAINTS' DAY (OBSERVED)

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17

⁹After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands,

¹⁰and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" ¹¹And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, ¹²saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

¹³Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" ¹⁴I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

¹⁵ "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

¹⁶ They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat.

¹⁷ For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

Epistle: 1 John 3:1-3

¹See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are. The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. ³And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

¹Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

²And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

³"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

⁴"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

⁵"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

⁶"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

⁷"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

⁸"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

⁹"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God.

¹⁰"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

¹¹"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. ¹²Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you."