

Come, Holy Spirit, and fill the hearts of Your faithful people and kindle in them the fire of Your love: You, who through diverse tongues gathered together the nations in the unity of faith.

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH The 23rd Saturday after Pentecost
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 — November 13, 2022 --- 5:30 pm
Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer /// **Opening Hymn:** “*Earth and All Stars*” 817 vs. 1,3,6,7

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C:** *Amen.*

P: O Lord, open my lips.	C: <i>And my mouth will declare Your praise.</i>
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me;	C: <i>Make haste to help me, O Lord.</i>
P: God the Father, made the Plan	C: <i>He gave to us the Plan of the Gospel.</i>
P: Jesus carried out the Plan.	C: <i>He died on the Cross for our sins</i>
P: The Holy Spirit makes the Plan a part of our lives	C: <i>He opens our hearts</i>
P: The Father, Son, and Holy Spirit	C: <i>The Holy Trinity that grants life</i>
P: Our God made, carried out, and brought	C: <i>His plan of salvation to us.</i>
P: This is the day the Lord has made	C: <i>We will rejoice and be glad in it.</i>

Psalmody: *Psalm 98*

P: Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things; **C:** *His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.*

P: The Lord has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations. **C:** *He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to the house of Israel; all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.*

P: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music; **C:** *Make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing, with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn--shout for joy before the Lord, the King.*

P: Let the sea resound, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it. **C:** *Let the rivers clap their hands, let the mountains sing together for joy;*

P: Let them sing before the Lord, for He comes to judge the earth. **C:** *He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.*

All: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Collect: O Lord, almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may live and abide forever in Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **C:** *Amen*

Hymn: “*Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies*” 873

O.T. Lesson: *Malachi 4: 1-6* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *2 Thessalonians 3: 6-13*

(Please rise) Holy Gospel: *Luke 21: 5-28* /// **Hymn:** “*O Blessed Spring*” 595

Children’s Sermon /// **Sermon** /// **Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)*

Offering /// **Prayers:** The families of Somers, Mark and Debbie; Soulsby, Rex; Speicher, Bryce, Jessica, Jayden, Brylee and Violet.

Lord’s Prayer: *back of hymnal*

Confession of Sins

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, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive 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.*

Absolution: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

Blessing of Elements /// **Distribution** /// **Hymn:** “*Abide, O Dearest Jesus*” 919

Closing Collect: Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; 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

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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

TONIGHT: Worship w/HC 5:30 pm, Confirmation Meeting 6:30 pm
TOMORROW: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Bible Class at 9:10 am. Worship 10:15 am, Thanksgiving Meal, Youth Meeting 5:30 pm
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,
Next SUNDAY: Worship w/HC 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am, Special Voter's Meeting

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Nov 5:52 LS: 42; Sun. Nov 6: 8 am: 62 LS: 36; 10:15 am: 47 LS: 33

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the following: Spruell, Margie; Stambush, Ova and Chestine; and Stremming, Sandy and Brent.

POINSETTIA ORDERS ARE DUE BY NOVEMBER 27, 2022: Order forms were placed in your box, but one may be picked up under the mailboxes also. You can place your order in the offering plate, Bev Racine's mailbox or in the Church office. Make Checks payable to Immanuel LWML.

MONTHLY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

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.

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.

SCRIP NEWS: It's time to get your holiday grocery shopping and gift giving needs with the help of our SCRIP program. It's also great way to give back to Immanuel.

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.

THE LAST CHRISTMAS ORDER WILL BE PLACED THE FIRST WEEK OF THE MONTH IN DECEMBER.

Order forms on the table in the Lounge area. Turn your orders into Waverlyn Karch in the church office or put in the SCRIP MAILBOX in the lounge hallway.

COMMUNITY

SALEM CHURCH OF DARMSTADT ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM & BUFFET:

The Women's Guild cordially invite the Ladies to our program on Tuesday, December 6 at 10:30 am. We look forward to seeing you! Please RSVP by November 28th at 812-867-3142

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Old Testament Reading: Malachi 4:1-6

¹For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the LORD of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. ²But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. ³And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the LORD of hosts.

⁴Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel.

⁵Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the LORD comes. ⁶And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction."

Epistle: 2 Thessalonians 3:6-13

⁶Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. ⁷For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, ⁸nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. ⁹It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. ¹⁰For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. ¹¹For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. ¹²Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living.

¹³As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

Holy Gospel: Luke 21:5-28

⁵While some were speaking of the temple, how it was adorned with noble stones and offerings, [Jesus] said, ⁶"As for these things that you see, the days will come when there will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down." ⁷And they asked him, "Teacher, when will these things

be, and what will be the sign when these things are about to take place?" ⁸And he said, "See that you are not led astray. For many will come in my name, saying, 'I am he!' and, 'The time is at hand!' Do not go after them. ⁹And when you hear of wars and tumults, do not be terrified, for these things must first take place, but the end will not be at once."

¹⁰Then he said to them, "Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. ¹¹There will be great earthquakes, and in various places famines and pestilences. And there will be terrors and great signs from heaven. ¹²But before all this they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons, and you will be brought before kings and governors for my name's sake. ¹³This will be your opportunity to bear witness. ¹⁴Settle it therefore in your minds not to meditate beforehand how to answer, ¹⁵for I will give you a mouth and wisdom, which none of your adversaries will be able to withstand or contradict. ¹⁶You will be delivered up even by parents and brothers and relatives and friends, and some of you they will put to death. ¹⁷You will be hated by all for my name's sake. ¹⁸But not a hair of your head will perish. ¹⁹By your endurance you will gain your lives.

²⁰But when you see Jerusalem surrounded by armies, then know that its desolation has come near. ²¹Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, and let those who are inside the city depart, and let not those who are out in the country enter it, ²²for these are days of vengeance, to fulfill all that is written. ²³Alas for women who are pregnant and for those who are nursing infants in those days! For there will be great distress upon the earth and wrath against this people. ²⁴They will fall by the edge of the sword and be led captive among all nations, and Jerusalem will be trampled underfoot by the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

²⁵And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, ²⁶people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. ²⁷And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. ²⁸Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near."