

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 *Last Sunday of the Church Year*
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 — Pastor's Phone: 812-760-1854
November 26, 2023 – 8 a.m.

Opening Prayer /// **Opening Hymn:** *“Beautiful Savior” 537*

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>

Confession and Absolution: pg. 184-185 /// **The Introit:** *Psalm 95: 1-7a*

P: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us make a joyful noise to the Rock of our salvation.
C: *Let us come before Him with thanksgiving and let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise..*

P: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods. **C:** *In His hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to Him.*

P: The sea is His, for He made it, and His hands formed the dry land. **C:** *Come, let us bow down in worship, Let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;*

P: For He is our God **C:** *And we are the people of His pasture, the flock under His care.*

Gloria Patri: Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to the God the Son, Glory be to God the Spirit, Great Jehovah Three in One! Glory, Glory, While eternal ages run.
(LSB 506)

Kyrie: Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy Christ, Our King
(LSB 733) Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

Gloria: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph,
(LSB 851) His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: “Jesus out of ev’ry nation Has redeemed us by His blood.”

P: The Lord be with you. **C:** *And with your spirit.*

Collect: Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

Hymn: *“Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us”* 711

(Prefatory Remarks)

O.T. Lesson: *Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *1 Corinthians 15: 20-28*

(Please rise) Gospel Lesson: *Matthew 25: 31-46*

Confession of Faith: *Apostle’s Creed (back of hymnal)*

Hymn: *“Love in Christ Is Strong and Living”* 706

Children’s Sermon /// **Sermon**

Confessional Hymn: *“In God We Believe”* (802)

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow’r In mercy has brought us renewal this hour
In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secure True God and True Man once the cross He endured

God’s Spirit at work in our lives we confess: With power and truth the church now He does
bless As saints, God’s forgiven, one day we shall then Be living in glory forever. Amen.

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Niedhammer, Cam and Dee; Neukam, Terry and Sandra; and
Robbie Newman.

Lord’s Prayer

Closing Hymn: *“The Lamb”* 547

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. Amen.*

Benediction

Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor
Matt Wilson, Organist

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Hanging of the Greens
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm
WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice 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, Council Meeting & Luncheon after 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Nov 18: 33 LS:28; Sun, Nov 19: 8 am: 54 LS: 40; 10:15 am: 86 LS: 62

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of Newman, Theresa, Greg, Jacob and Rachel; Newmaster, Jacob, Laura, Brooks, Baker and Charlie Jo; and Newmaster, Mark, Krista, and Josie.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE: December 10 in 10:15 am service. If your child is participating in the Christmas Service please let me or their Sunday School teacher know. Thank you, Ann Welte 812-459-3909

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER CALENDAR EVENTS

Hanging of the Greens: Sunday, November 26th after 10:15 service

Mid-Week Advent Meals: December 6, 13 & 20 begin at 6:10 pm

Mid-Week Advent Worship: December 6, 13 & 20 at 7 pm

Council Luncheon & Organizational Meeting: Sunday, December 3 after 10:15 service

Children's Sunday School Christmas Program: December 10 during the 10:15 am service

Saturday, December 23 Worship Service w/HC at 5:30 pm (normal time)

Sunday, December 24 there will **ONE Service at 9:45 am** in the morning which will involve

Confirmation & High School Youth participation; and **two services** in the evening at

6:00 pm with Choir Participation and 10:00 pm Candle- Light Service

Monday, December 25 at 9:30 am Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion

SCRIP NEWS: It's 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. Current Cards available listed in the SCRIP Binder in Lounge. The December order will go in on Monday, December 4th.

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

NEW MEMBER INFO CORRECTON: Whitehead, Mark & Karen, 329 Senate Avenue, Evansville, IN 47711, Karen Cell: 812-480-2577; dghogwild80@gmail.com ; Mark: woodbtnut@aol.com

HELP NEEDED FOR ASSISTING WITH LIVE STREAMING: I'm looking for another person to learn how to livestream our church service. You should be comfortable with computers. The instructions are all written out and it's not hard to learn. We livestream the first service so you need to commit to being at the 8am service once or twice a month since we rotate this responsibility. If you are interested, please call or text Cheryl Bratten 812-604-9076.