

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

P.O. Box 39, 242 Main Street Preston, MD 21655 Caring for Our Community Through Christ for 125 Years!

REV. DAVID CASEY-MOTLEY, PASTOR

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Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm 1:00 p. to 3:00 pm, and by appointment

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS & CONTACT INFORMATION

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GENERAL INFORMATION

- **Restrooms** are located downstairs. An elevator is available in the narthex.
- A **nursery room** is available at the rear of the Sanctuary for young children and their parents. The nursery room is equipped with a speaker so you can hear the service.
- **Registration cards** are placed in the back of the pews for worshipers to use for: 1) Visitor registration; 2) Communion registration for communion services; 3) Prayer requests may be written on the back of the card; after filling out the card, please place it in the offering plate.
- **Preprinted offering envelopes** are available in the pews for special offerings and Special Funds donations. Visitors are welcome to use these envelopes as well as members. Members, please make sure to note your envelope number on these special envelopes and place in the offering plate.
- **Kids Worship** We love having children in church! It is so important for the kids to be welcomed and loved in God's house. Kids Worship is offered during the service, after the Bible Readings. Kids ages 3 through 10 can come downstairs where we offer an age appropriate lesson on the readings, snack and sometimes a craft. Children will return to the sanctuary at end of service and on communion Sundays just before communion. For more information contact Rene Langwost at 410-253-8735.

We kindly request that all cell phones be silenced.

THE ORDER OF SERVICE

THE TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST November 13, 2022 ~ 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!

Friends, I welcome you to worship this autumn day. Let us bless the Lord and open our hearts to his guidance and grace. Amen.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

Dear Jesus, amid global wars, earthquakes and plagues, may your words and wisdom sustain our hope in you. (Based on Luke 21:5-19).

Divine Service, Setting Two Lutheran Service Book (LSB) 167-183

I = congregation sings response

Prelude Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending

(Arr. Jacob B. Weber)

Gathering Prayer Concerns

Welcome

The Call to Worship

- P This is the day the Lord has made.
- C Let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- P We pause silently to prepare ourselves for worship.

Sharing of the Peace

- P The Lord says to you as Paul wrote to the church at Colossae: "Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience, bearing with one another and, if one has a complaint against another forgiving each other; as the Lord has forgiven you, so you must forgive. And above all these put on love, which binds everything together in perfect harmony. And let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, to which indeed you were called in one body. And be thankful."
- C We come to the Lord to hear His Word, to receive His forgiveness, and present our tithes and offerings at the altar. It is my desire to be reconciled to make

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things right – with you my sisters and brothers (Matthew 5:23-24). Receive the "peace" I share with you as I receive the peace of God through Jesus.

Stand

Opening Hymn: Great Is Thy Faithfulness

~ Confession and Absolution ~

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

- P In the name of the Father and of the + Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P 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.
- P 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.

LSB 809

LSB 167

~ Service of the Word ~

Introit

Psalm 121:1-2, 5, 7-8; antiphon: Luke 21:33

P Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

C I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come?

P My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth.

C The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand.

- P The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life.
- C The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.
 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

Kyrie

LSB 168

- P In peace let us pray to the Lord.
- **S** C Lord, have mercy.
 - P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

S C Lord, have mercy.

- P 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.
- **S** C Lord, have mercy.
 - P For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise let us pray to the Lord.
- **S** C Lord, have mercy.
 - P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
- **↓***C* Amen.

Gloria in Excelsis

- P Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His people on earth.
- I C Lord God, heavenly king, almighty God and Father: We worship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God: You take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. You are seated at the right hand of the Father; receive our prayer. For You alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

Salutation and Collect of the Day

- P The Lord be with you.
- $\square C$ And also with you.
 - P Let us pray.

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.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Malachi 4:1–6

¹ "For 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.

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

⁵"Behold, 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."

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

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

- L This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse

LSB 173

I C Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Holy Gospel

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-first chapter. *Luke 21:5–28*
- **G** *C* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

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.

²⁰"But 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.

²⁵"And 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."

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

Sit

Kids Worship

Sermon Hymn: By Grace I'm Saved

LSB 566

Sermon

Apostles' Creed

C 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.

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Prayer of the Church

P O Lord, in these last days we lift our eyes to Your Son, Jesus Christ, from whom our help comes. Turn us from distress and fear of what is coming on our world to stand confidently in the Word of Christ, which will never pass away. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, uphold all ministers of Your Gospel and those who hear it gladly, especially all persecuted Christians. Cause that Word to be honored and so deliver them from wicked and evil men. Give a mouth and wisdom to Your people in all adversity to confess You boldly and to endure faithfully to the end. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We worship You, O Lord, for all Your loving kindness shown to us in Christ, our Savior. Deliver us from fear as we witness the signs of the times and make sober judgment in the face of so many vexing concerns. Remind us that though the nations rage and the powers press against the Church, this is our opportunity to give witness to the Word that does not change and the mercy that is our hope in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lord God, we have this command from Your blessed apostles, that we are to be usy at work and not walk in idleness. Strengthen us in the Lord Jesus Christ to do good without weariness. Bless the homes and businesses of this congregation, and give to our people the fruits of their labors. Grant that, in the conduct of our life's work, our hearts may always be directed to the love of God and the steadfastness of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Merciful Father, straighten and raise the heads of Your people to look for the resurrection at the Last Day and to live and endure in hope, since our redemption draws near. Sustain Your children in every affliction [especially _____]. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P As the days pass and all things move to their appointed end, keep us from being complacent. Keep us alert and awake so that when the day comes, we may greet the Lord and rejoice in His eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one

C Amen.

Sit

Offering Praise and Thanksgiving (Arr. Douglas E. Wagner)

Stand

Offertory

I C What shall I render to the Lord for all His benefits to me? I will offer the sacrifice of thanksgiving and will call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of salvation and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my vows to the Lord now in the presence of all his people, in the courts of the Lord's house in the midst of you, O Jerusalem.

Lord's Prayer

- P 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.

Closing Collect

P 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

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- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.
- $\square C$ Amen.

Closing Hymn:Guide Me O Thou Great RedeemerLSB 918

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Announcements

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SERVICE INFORMATION

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL TODAY

Pastor Administrative Assistant Director of Music, Emeritus Director of Music & Organist Director of Hand Bells Ushers Lay Reader Assisting Elder Kids Worship Acolyte Sound Operator Camera Operator Greeters Tellers Rev. David Casey-Motley Sharon Gutz Dennis L. Janko, M.M. Lynn Short Janice Isenberg John Hochmuth & Todd Butler Ruth Thomas

Rene Langwost

David Schmidt Jennifer Phillips Kenny & Michelle Wheatley Karen Lyons & Jennifer Phillips

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL NEXT SUNDAY

Ushers Lay Reader Greeter Assisting Elder Kids Worship Acolyte Sound Operator Camera Operator Tellers

John Hochmuth & Todd Butler Kathy Schmidt Kenny & Michelle Wheatley Mark Frase Rene Langwost Lucas Maloney Rex Rosebrock John Crampton Dee Lambert, Glen Plutschak, & Linda Jefferson

The flowers on the Altar today, are given to the glory of God, by Claudia Johnson in memory of Naomi Buckalew.

ADMINISTRATION

THE WEEK AHEAD

| Monday – Thursday | Nursery School | 8:50a.m. – 11:45 a.m. |
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| Monday– Friday | Church Office Open | 9:00 – 12:00 noon |
| Monday | Church Council | 7:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Bell Practice | 6:30 p.m. |
| Wednesday | Choir Practice | 7:30 p.m. |
| Thursday | Ladies Bible Study | 9:30 a.m. |
| Sunday | Sunday School and Adult Bible Study | 9:15 a.m. |
| | Worship Service | 10:30 a.m. |
| | AA Meeting | 7:00 p.m. |

Be sure to check the church calendar for events happening at Immanuel Lutheran this month. Check with the church office before scheduling meetings or activities so they can be put on the calendar.

STATISTICS November 6, 2022

WORSHIP SERVICE

Attendance: 49

Goal Income Per Week: \$3,802.04

Offering: 3.830.00

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR September 2022

| Goal income per month | \$16,475.17 |
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| Actual Offerings | 13,777.00 |
| Total Disbursements | <u>-15,108.62</u> |
| Checking account balance, end of month | \$47,236.33 |

PRAYER LIST & CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

<u>SHUT-INS – RETIREMENT FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES:</u> June Elzey, Jimmy Fuchs, Bobby Hopkins, Lee Roesti, Lawrence & Viola Schmick, Martha Ann Schmick, and Janice Plutschak.

<u>SPECIAL PRAYERS</u> – Wyatt Ewing, Jennifer Flanagan, Butch Frase, Linda Frase, Pete Hitchens, Cheryl Hochmuth, Dennis Janko, Bob Lorenz, Rev. Donald Meyer, Charlene Robbins, Ellen Thress, Nicole James, Maggie Thompson, and Pastor Nuss

ACTIVE-DUTY SERVICE PERSONNEL & FIRST-RESPONDERS

Ryan Andrew, Heather Blake, Matthew Harris, Shelby Hochmuth, Michael Jantz Jr., Robbie Phillips, Eric Stacey, Jerry Stivers, Amber Thamert

BIRTHDAYS

| Alexis Beebe | 11/18 |
|--------------|-------|
| Kenny Miller | 11/18 |

ANNIVERSARIES

Ed & Sabrina Schanken 11/19

Announcements



<u>WELCOME VISITORS!</u> Before leaving, please stop in the Narthex to sign the guest book and pick up your Welcome Bag. We hope to see you again!



Cookies Needed

The town of Preston will be having a Christmas event on December 3. They have reached out to Immanuel to ask if anyone would like to donate baked cookies for the event. If so, please drop off the cookies on December 2 from 8-2 at the town office in Preston. Thank you!

Pledge Cards: are due today

Care and Compassion – 2022 Angel Tree

For the last 15 years Care and Compassion has sponsored a needy family for Christmas. Our 2022 Angel Tree is in the narthex. There are "angel tags" that have the items the family would like for Christmas. If you would like to help this family, please select a tag, purchase and wrap the gift. Attach the angel tag to the gift and return it to church by December 4th. The toys are available in stores and online. The family we are helping this year has a single mother and two children – a boy who will be $2\frac{1}{2}$ in December and a 4 year old girl. Most of the gifts are reasonably priced. If you are unable to shop but would like to participate by giving a monetary donation, please see or call Irene Wheatley – 410 - 310 - 2571. Thank you for helping Immanuel care for our community through Christ.

Please have your Council Meeting documents that you want printed, into the office no later than Thursday Morning. Thank you

Eastern Shore Hospital Center Unremembered Patients

Again this year Wings will be collecting monetary donations for the patients who have no one to remember them at Christmas. The hospital auxiliary is currently working hard to meet the challenge of providing care for 84 patients of which 67% are unremembered without family or friends to provide for them and 72% are indigent.

All donations to the hospital are designated, by state policy, for direct patient benefit. Using our donations, Volunteer Services Staff will purchase the items on each patient's 2022 wish list.

Donations may be *cash* or by *check payable to WINGS*. A tax-deductible donation may be made by *check payable to ESHC Auxiliary*.

Special preprinted envelopes will be available on the Christmas tree in the Narthex. *Please place your donation in this envelope and return in the offering plate by today. If you are mailing in a donation, please be sure to put Attn: Wings on the envelope.*

Thank you so much for your continued support of this appeal. Your servant in Christ, Janice Isenberg

Sunday School News

Christmas Program December 11th during the Worship Service at 10:30 Christmas Program practices during Sunday School: November 20th, and December 4, and 11th

This year's program will be similar format to last year. We will need some adult readers as well as children. It is called, "This is my son". Please try to attend most or all practices so children are prepared, it makes it easier for them.

Also, we do keep track of Sunday School attendance all year. There are 38 Sundays in our school year. Sunday school pins will be given to all students according to how many Sundays they attend. 5-10 - red pin, 11-20 Blue pin, 21 - 30 white pin, 31 - 38



Christmas Poinsettias for the Chancel will be available this year at a cost of \$7.50. To order please fill out an order form, include your cash or check (made payable to Immanuel Lutheran Church) and give to Gail Whealton, Kathy Schmidt, Julie Schmidt, or you may drop off the form to Sharon in the church office by December 5th. (Extra forms will be placed on the table in the Narthex).

| Donor' | s Name | | |
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| | White | | \$ |
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Sermon Notes

| Title | | |
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| Text | | |
| Law | | |
| Gospel | | |
| Summary | | |
| Application | | |