



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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*Caring for Our Community Through Christ
for 125 Years!*

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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 FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT
November 27, 2022

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!

Today is the first Sunday of Advent and a new church year. Welcome to this rich season of worship.

WORDS OF PREPARATION

A new church year, a new season, a new focus. Thank you, Creator God, for the coming weeks to prepare our hearts anew for the arrival of your Son.

Divine Service, Setting Three

Lutheran Service Book (LSB) 184-202

♪ = *congregation sings response*

Prelude Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying (J.S. Bach/Arr. Lani Smith)
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 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.**

Opening Hymn: Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying

LSB 516

Blessing of the Advent Wreath

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

C **Amen.**

P Beloved in the Lord, as we begin the season of Advent, let this wreath remind us that Jesus Christ came to conquer the darkness of sin and to lead us into the light of His glorious kingdom. As the prophet Isaiah says, “The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined.”

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P The Lord be with you

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray:

O Lord Jesus Christ, the true light who comes into the world to enlighten all people, bless us as we light the candles of the wreath in preparation for your coming, and enkindle in our hearts the fire of Your love that we may receive You with joy and gladness and evermore remain steadfast in the faith; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

P The Lord Almighty, the Father, and + the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless the wreath for use in His Church throughout this holy season of Advent.

C **Amen.**

~ Confession and Absolution ~

LSB 184

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 Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C who made heaven and earth.

P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

C and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P O almighty God, merciful Father,

C I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

P 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.

C Amen.

Stand

~ Service of the Word ~

Introit

Psalm 118:25–28; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b, alt.

P Behold, your king is coming to you;
righteous and having salvation.

**C Save us, we pray, O LORD!
O LORD, we pray, give us success!**

P Blessèd is he who comes in the name of the LORD!
We bless you from the house of the LORD.

**C The LORD is God, and he has made his light to shine upon us.
Bind the festal sacrifice with cords, up to the horns of the altar!**

**P You are my God, and I will give thanks to you;
you are my God; I will extol you**

**♪ C *Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Ghost;
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen.***

Kyrie *LSB 168*

**♪ C *Lord, have mercy upon us.
Christ, have mercy upon us.
Lord, have mercy upon us.***

Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P The Lord be with you.
♪ C *And with thy spirit.***

**P Let us pray.
Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued
from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for
You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.**

♪ C *Amen.*

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Isaiah 2:1–5

¹The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

²It shall come to pass in the latter days
that the mountain of the house of the LORD
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,
and shall be lifted up above the hills;
and all the nations shall flow to it,

³and many peoples shall come, and say:
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,
to the house of the God of Jacob,

that he may teach us his ways
 and that we may walk in his paths.”
 For out of Zion shall go the law,
 and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.
⁴He shall judge between the nations,
 and shall decide disputes for many peoples;
 and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,
 and their spears into pruning hooks;
 nation shall not lift up sword against nation,
 neither shall they learn war anymore.
⁵O house of Jacob,
 come, let us walk
 in the light of the LORD.

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

Epistle

Romans 13:11–14

¹¹Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. ¹²The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. ¹⁴But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

Stand

Alleluia

LSB 190

♩ C *Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.*

Holy Gospel

Matthew 21:1–11

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 21th chapter.
 ♪ C *Glory be to Thee, O Lord.*

¹Now when they drew near to Jerusalem and came to Bethphage, to the Mount of Olives,

then Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, you shall say, ‘The Lord needs them,’ and he will send them at once.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what was spoken by the prophet, saying,

⁵“Say to the daughter of Zion,
‘Behold, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden.’”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them. ⁷They brought the donkey and the colt and put on them their cloaks, and he sat on them. ⁸Most of the crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹And the crowds that went before him and that followed him were shouting, “Hosanna to the Son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” ¹⁰And when he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was stirred up, saying, “Who is this?” ¹¹And the crowds said, “This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth of Galilee.”

P This is the Gospel of the Lord
♫C *Praise be to Thee, O Christ.*

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**

Sit

Kids Worship

Hymn of the Day: Savior of the Nations, Come

LSB 332 (St. 1-5, 8)

Sermon

P The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

C Amen

Stand

Offertory

LSB 192

✪C *Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Thy presence, and take not Thy Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Thy salvation, and uphold me with Thy free spirit.
Amen.*

Sit

Offering

Savior of the Nations, Come

(Arr. Jacob B. Weber)

Stand

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

✪C *We give Thee but Thine own, what-e'er the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee. Amen*

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord: Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, that our Lord's advent might kindle in us a love for His name, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For faithful pastors and teachers, that they may boldly proclaim God's Law and Gospel so that we might be prepared for the day of Christ's appearing, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For God's kingdom on earth, that the Church may be a beacon to all nations, teaching them to walk in the light of His peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For Christian homes, that God would defend husbands, wives and children from the temptation to walk in the works of darkness, clothing them with the armor of light, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For our president, governor and all in temporal authority, that godly wisdom would guide policy and lead nations into the way of peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P For [_____ and] all who are sick or in need of our prayers, that God would visit them during these Advent days with His hand of healing, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P O loving Father, You alone know the day and the hour when our Lord, Jesus Christ, will come again in glory. Keep us steadfast in the one, true faith, that we may ever be ready for His reappearing; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

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.

Benediction

LSB 202

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and T give you peace.

✪C *Amen, amen, amen.*

Closing Hymn: The Advent of our King

LSB 331

Sit

Announcements

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SERVICE INFORMATION

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL TODAY

Pastor	Rev. David Casey-Motley
Administrative Assistant	Sharon Gutz
Director of Music, Emeritus	Dennis L. Janko, M.M.
Director of Music & Organist	Lynn Short
Director of Hand Bells	Janice Isenberg
Ushers	John Hockmuth & Todd Butler
Lay Reader	Kate Frase
Assisting Elder	
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	
Sound Operator	Jim Harris
Camera Operator	Ruth Thomas
Greeters	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Tellers	David & Kathy Schmidt, & Julie Schmidt

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL NEXT SUNDAY

Ushers	Roland Limpert & Jack Collins
Lay Reader	Glen Plutschak
Greeter	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Assisting Elder	Rex Rosebrock
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	Catie Casey-Motley
Sound Operator	David Schmidt
Camera Operator	Janice Isenberg
Tellers	Janice Isenberg, Shelly Kapitan, & John Crampton

*The flowers were given to the glory of God, by Allen and Evelyn Reichlin
in memory of their son, Jeffrey's, birthday*

ADMINISTRATION

THE WEEK AHEAD

Tuesday – Thursday	Nursery School	8:50a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Monday – Friday	Church Office Open	9:00 – 12:00 noon
Wednesday	Bell Practice	6:30 p.m.
Wednesday	Choir Practice	7:30 p.m.
Thursday	Women’s 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 20, 2022

WORSHIP SERVICE *Attendance: 60*

Goal Income Per Week: \$3,802.04

Offering: \$ 3,967.00

TREASURER’S REPORT FOR October 2022

Goal income per month	\$16,475.17
Actual Offerings	17,182.50
Total Disbursements	<u>-14,582.12</u>
Checking account balance, end of month	\$49,978.81

PRAYER LIST & CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

SHUT-INS – RETIREMENT FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES: June Elzey, Jimmy Fuchs, Lee Roesti, Lawrence & Viola Schmick, Martha Ann Schmick

SPECIAL PRAYERS – Wyatt Ewing, Jennifer Flanagan, Butch Frase, Linda Frase, Pete Hitchens, Cheryl Hochmuth, Dennis Janko, Bob Lorenz, Rev. Donald Meyer, Charlene Robbins, Ellen Thress, Kenny and Michelle Wheatley, 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

Ben Braband	11/27
Iris Rieck	11/27
Kurt Fairbanks	12/1
Mindy Delano	12/3

ANNIVERSARIES

None this week

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

Special Voters' Assembly – **December 4th, next Sunday after the service.** A brief meeting of the Voters Assembly has been called by President Dicky Wheatley to vote on the nomination of Cathy Baker for Chairman of the Board of Evangelism. All current voting members are asked to attend.

Angel Tree 2022 Update - Thank you to all who are participating in this year's Angel Tree Program. All of the Angel Tags have been claimed. Remember that we would like to have all gifts in by December 4th. If you would still like to participate, we are still accepting cash or gift cards. If you have any question please call Irene Wheatley at 410-310-2571. Thanks again for helping Immanuel care for our community through Christ.

Sunday School News

Christmas Program December 11th during the Worship Service at 10:30

Christmas Program practices during Sunday School: November 27th, 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.

No Sunday School on December 25th and January 1st

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!

Thank you

Thank you to everyone who volunteered their time to assist with WinGS' annual fall bazaar. It was quite the success with all of the help that you provided. We were very busy and had lots of visitors to our church at the bazaar. With the funds that were raised, WinGS was able to donate \$1000.00 each to the following needs. His Hope Ministries in Denton, Immanuel's Care & Compassion Fund, and the Florida-George LCMS District to assist victims of Hurricane Ian. We appreciated your time and talents to help with preparation, donations, and patronage. Thank you for always supporting our efforts. WINGS (**W**omen **I**N **G**od's **S**ervice)



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 _____

In Memory of _____

No.	Color	Amount
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_____	Red	\$_____
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_____	White	\$_____
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Total Enclosed \$_____

SERMON NOTES

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Law

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Summary

Application