



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
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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 THIRD SUNDAY IN LENT
March 12, 2023 ~ 10:30 a.m.

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL!

We gather at the well of worship, where Jesus, our Living Water, quenches our thirst for love, life, hope,
peace. Welcome

WORDS OF PREPARATION

My soul is parched, Lord, like Israel in the wilderness and the woman at the well. Pour into me your forgiveness and love.

Divine Service, Setting Two

Lutheran Service Book (LSB) 167-183

♪ = congregation sings response

Prelude Jesus Loves Me (William Bradbury)
Sunday School Chime Choir

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.

Stand

Opening Hymn:

Rock of Ages

LSB 761

~ Confession and Absolution ~

LSB 167

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

~ Service of the Word ~

Introit

Psalm 84:1–4; antiphon: v. 5

P Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

**C How lovely is your dwelling place,
O LORD of hosts!**

P My soul longs, yes, faints for the courts of the LORD;
my heart and flesh sing for joy to the living God.

**C Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she
may lay her young,
at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.**

P Blessed are those who dwell in your house,
ever singing your praise!

**C 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.

♪ **C *Lord, have mercy.***

P For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

♪ **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.

♪ **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.

♪ **C *Lord, have mercy.***

P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

♪ **C *Amen.***

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

♪ **C *And also with you.***

P Let us pray.

O God, whose glory it is always to have mercy, be gracious to all who have gone astray from Your ways and bring them again with penitent hearts and steadfast faith to embrace and hold fast the unchangeable truth of Your Word; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

♪ C *Amen.*

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Exodus 17:1–7

¹All the congregation of the people of Israel moved on from the wilderness of Sin by stages, according to the commandment of the LORD, and camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for the people to drink. ²Therefore the people quarreled with Moses and said, “Give us water to drink.” And Moses said to them, “Why do you quarrel with me? Why do you test the LORD?” ³But the people thirsted there for water, and the people grumbled against Moses and said, “Why did you bring us up out of Egypt, to kill us and our children and our livestock with thirst?” ⁴So Moses cried to the LORD, “What shall I do with this people? They are almost ready to stone me.” ⁵And the LORD said to Moses, “Pass on before the people, taking with you some of the elders of Israel, and take in your hand the staff with which you struck the Nile, and go. ⁶Behold, I will stand before you there on the rock at Horeb, and you shall strike the rock, and water shall come out of it, and the people will drink.” And Moses did so, in the sight of the elders of Israel. ⁷And he called the name of the place Massah and Meribah, because of the quarreling of the people of Israel, and because they tested the LORD by saying, “Is the LORD among us or not?”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm

Psalm 95:1–9; antiphon: v. 6

♪ C *Oh come, let us sing / to the LORD,*
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal- / vation!
²Let us come into his presence with thanks- / giving;*
let us make a joyful noise to him with / songs of praise!
³For the LORD is a / great God,**

and a great King a- / bove all gods.
⁴*In his hand are the depths / of the earth,**
the heights of the mountains are his / also.
⁵*The sea is his, for he / made it,**
and his hands formed the / dry land.
⁶*Oh come, let us worship and / bow down;**
let us kneel before the LORD, our / Maker!
⁷*For he / is our God,**
and we are the people of his pasture,
and the sheep / of his hand.
*Today, if you / hear his voice,**
⁸*do not harden your hearts, as at Meribah,*
as on the day at Massah in the / wilderness,
⁹*when your fathers put me / to the test**
and put me to the proof, though they had / seen my work.

♪ C *Glory be to the Father and / to the Son**
And to the Holy / Spirit;
*As it was in the be- / ginning,**
Is now, and will be forever. / Amen

Epistle

Romans 5:1–8

¹Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us.

⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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

Stand

Holy Gospel

P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the fourth chapter. *John 4:5–26*
 ♪ C *Glory to you, O Lord.*

⁵[Jesus] came to a town of Samaria called Sychar, near the field that Jacob had given to his son Joseph. ⁶Jacob's well was there; so Jesus, wearied as he was from his journey, was sitting beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

⁷There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." ⁸(For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food.) ⁹The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a woman of Samaria?" (For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.) ¹⁰Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." ¹¹The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw water with, and the well is deep. Where do you get that living water?" ¹²Are you greater than our father Jacob? He gave us the well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his livestock." ¹³Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will be thirsty again, ¹⁴but whoever drinks of the water that I will give him will never be thirsty forever. The water that I will give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." ¹⁵The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, so that I will not be thirsty or have to come here to draw water."

¹⁶Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." ¹⁷The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; ¹⁸for you have had five husbands, and the one you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true." ¹⁹The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. ²⁰Our fathers worshiped on this mountain, but you say that in Jerusalem is the place where people ought to worship." ²¹Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. ²²You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. ²³But the hour is coming, and is now here, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for the Father is seeking such people to worship him. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." ²⁵The woman said to him, "I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things." ²⁶Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

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

Sit

Kids Worship

Sermon Hymn:

How Wide the Love of Christ

LSB 535

Sermon:

Stand

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.**

Prayer of the Church

**P Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people
according to their needs.**

**P Lord of hosts, You have brought us to dwell in Your house and called us to
worship You in spirit and truth. Receive our praise and hear our prayers, that we
would leave this place satisfied with Your living water. Lord, in Your mercy,**

C hear our prayer.

- P Lord of hosts, You led Your ancient people by the hand of Moses and Aaron. Lead us through the wilderness of this world by the hand of faithful pastors, that we would be refreshed by the living water flowing from the stricken side of Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord of hosts, You have made us righteous through Jesus Christ and made peace with us by His cross. Lead us to embrace our suffering in faith, as they shape us in His image, and prepare us to behold Your glory in heaven. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord of hosts, You appointed Your Son to suffer on our behalf, that we would rejoice in the hope of glory. Make all Christian fathers to stand in Your grace, that they would live faithfully for the sake of their families and urge them always toward eternal life. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord of hosts, bless the nations of the world, that both citizens and authorities would seek justice, peace and the common good of all. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord of hosts, help the sick and suffering, especially those who desire our prayers [_____/]. Surround them with Your love in Christ and, according to Your gracious will, heal them. Comfort all those who mourn, [*especially* _____,] and fill their hearts with the certain hope of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord of hosts, grant us safe haven at Your altar, that we who bear the weight of this world and its sorrows would always long for Your courts and the blessings You have prepared for those who sing Your praise. Lord, in Your mercy,
C **hear our prayer.**
- P Lord God, heavenly Father, to You all hearts are open and all sins are known. Strengthen our hearts by Your grace, that we who daily sin much would make confession boldly and then joyfully receive Your precious word of absolution; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
C **Amen.**

Sit

Offering Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me

(Arr. Robert J. Powell)

Stand

Offertory

LSB 176

♪ **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 the gift of Your Word, 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

LSB 183

P 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.

♫ C Amen.

Closing Hymn: On What Has Now Been Sown

LSB 921

Sit

Announcements

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Divine Service, Setting Two from Lutheran Service Book

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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	Roland Limpert & John Hochmuth
Lay Reader	Darlena Roesti-Butler
Assisting Elder	
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	Pastor/Elder
Sound Operator	David Schmidt
Camera Operator	Jennifer Phillips
Greeters	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Tellers	Karen Lyons & Jennifer Phillips

THOSE SERVING IMMANUEL NEXT SUNDAY

Ushers	Roland Limpert & John Hochmuth
Lay Reader	Pastor Casey-Motley
Greeter	Kenny & Michelle Wheatley
Assisting Elder	Rex Rosebrock
Kids Worship	Rene Langwost
Acolyte	Veronica Phillips
Sound Operator	Rex Rosebrock
Camera Operator	John Crampton
Tellers	Dee Lambert, Glen Plutschak, & Linda Jefferson

ADMINISTRATION

THE WEEK AHEAD

Monday – Thursday	Nursery School	8:50a.m. – 11:45 a.m.
Monday – Friday	Church Office Open	9:00 – 12:00 noon
Wednesday	Mid-Week service	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	WiNGS Egg Making	8:00 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 March 5, 2023

WORSHIP SERVICE

Attendance: 52

Goal Income Per Week: \$3,802.04

Offering: \$5,280.00

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR January 2023

Goal income per month	\$16,245.11
Actual Offerings	15,010.00
Total Disbursements	-14,209.73
Checking account balance, end of month	\$49,443.07

PRAYER LIST & CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

SHUT-INS – RETIREMENT FACILITIES – NURSING HOMES: June Elzey, Jimmy Fuchs, Lee Roesti, Lawrence Schmick, Martha Ann Schmick, and Janice Plutschak.

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

Gail Wheaton	3/12
Jim Harris	3/14
Charles Smith	3/14
Janice Isenberg	3/15
Paul Mitchell	3/16
Sonny Hopkins	3/18

ANNIVERSARIES

None this week

ANNOUNCEMENTS



WELCOME VISITORS! Before leaving, please stop in the Narthex to sign the guest book. We hope to see you again!

There are some dates on the Flower Chart which are open.

NOTE: Just a reminder that we will be having midweek services the entire Month of March. The dates are March 15, 22, and 29th. The time is 7:00 p.

Annual Preston Community

6K Walk Run Proceeds will benefit Lifetime Wells International

**Saturday, April 29, 2023 Preston Town Park 105 Backland Road,
Preston**

Onsite registration and check in at 8:00 a.m. walk run starts at 9:00 a.m. (giveaways and healthy snacks provided)

Early bird registration by April 1 (includes t-shirt) \$30 adult; \$15 youth (age 18 and under)

Regular & onsite registration (t-shirt while supplies last) \$35 adult; \$20 youth.

Sleepwalker general donation -\$20

REGISTER ONLINE at <https://prestonmdwalkrun2023.eventbrite.com>

Or complete a registration form at your church

Or Call Savannah at 410-673-8731

Hosted by the Preston Ministerium

Bethesda United Methodist Church

Mt. Calvary United Methodist Church

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Bethlehem Wesleyan Church

Greater New Hope Church & Ministries

WiNGS News

It's Egg Time!

Saturday, March 18th we will be making our famous Easter eggs. Shaping the eggs begins around 8:00 a.m. and dipping begins around 9:00 a.m. Of course, lunch is provided. We look forward to seeing you.

Thank you, WiNGs





Let us make a joyful noise to the Lord with songs of praise! Psalm 95, v2. What an appropriate appointed psalm to sing this morning as we witness our Sunday School children playing the hand chimes for the prelude. The children have been practicing for about 4 weeks and are eager to share their song with the congregation. The Kindergarten through Third Grade children are playing the melody, with a lower harmony played by the Fifth and Sixth Graders. And the littlest ones are playing the very high notes with joyful enthusiasm. Many thanks for the support from our Sunday School Teachers and parents and grandparents, along with helpful assistance from several members of the Handbell Choir. Make a joyful noise to the Lord!



Immanuel's Resurrection Orchestra is forming to ring in the Easter Alleluias. Rehearsals are scheduled for Sunday, April 2 after the service or Wednesday, April 5 at 7:15. If you would like to play your instrument on Easter Sunday, April 9, please let Lynn Short know so we have the proper music for you.

EASTER LILIES

Easter lilies for the Altar and Chancel will be available again this year, at a cost of \$9.50.

To order please fill out the blanks below, include your cash or check (made out to Immanuel Lutheran Church) and give to Gail Whealton, Julie Schmidt or Kathy Schmidt, or you may drop off the form/money during the week to Sharon in the church office by March 19th.

Number

Amount

\$ _____

Total Enclosed

\$ _____

Donor's name

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(WINGS)



Flavors:

Peanut Butter
Coconut
Cherry Nut
Butter Cream

Homemade
Easter
Eggs
(8 oz.)

\$5.00 each

Happy Easter

To Place an Order Call:

The Church Office
410-673-7107

or

(Orders due by March 13)



SERMON NOTES

Title

Text

Law

Gospel

Summary

Application

