

All Saints Sunday Immanuel Lutheran Church November 3, 2024 Welcome to this place of praise and prayer. We gather today in celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, as part of God's family. We would appreciate having you sign our guest book so that we can remember your presence with us. Please note that in the ELW the page numbers are printed at the bottom of the page and hymn numbers are located at the top. The order of worship is outlined on the following pages.

The offering reminds us that all of life is a gift of God. We are stewards of that gift. In response, a portion of our income is given as an act of worship to do God's work in the world. Immanuel is a first-fruits congregation. That means that every Sunday when the offering is taken in, we give first to the mission and the ministry of the ELCA. We don't wait to see if we can pay our bills before we give away for God's mission. It is our hands doing God's work, for the sake of the world our Lord loves.

We serve Holy Communion on the first Sunday of the month and at all festivals. We offer an open invitation to all baptized believers to participate. It is our understanding that Christ offers his body and blood with the bread and wine to forgive sin and strengthen faith and life. If you receive communion in your home church, you are welcome to receive communion here.

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churchoffice@acegroup.cc 507-725-3123 On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

(Please stand as you are able)

GATHERING HYMN

Rejoice in God's Saints

#418

LITANY FOR REMEMBERING: A READING FROM ISAIAH 25:6-9

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear. ⁷And he will destroy on this mountain the shroud that is cast over all peoples, the sheet that is spread over all nations; ⁸he will swallow up death forever. Then the Lord GOD will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken. ⁹It will be said on that day, Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us. This is the LORD for whom we have waited; let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

With grateful hearts, O Lord, We remember before you this day.

We remember the great ancestors of our faith, from Abraham and Sarah to Paul and Phoebe:

Ancestors of the faith, we remember you.

We remember the prophets and priests, the pastors and teachers who have taught us the way of God:

Teachers of the faith, we remember you.

We remember our grandparents and parents, aunts and uncles, those who have gone before us in our lifetime:

Family of our faith, we remember you.

We life up the memories of children and grandchildren, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives and parents whose lives ended too soon:

Those close in our heart, we remember you.

We lift up to You, O God, the names of those we have lost in this past year from our lives, knowing that they are in your care for eternity.

(The bell will be rung once after each name is read.)

Kemper Cowgill, Paula Betten, Darrell Schroeder, Janice Dokken, Janice Nelson, Alice Heimerdinger, Alona Schmidt, Bernice "Bea" Doering, Marilyn Jore, Karl Hendel, Nester Chiglo, Gary Songer, Brent Hermans, Herb Highum, Sue Glissendorf, John Guenther, Audrey Deters Eiken, Danny Niday, Norman Nordsving, Orris McIlwain, Phyllis Larson, Matthew Harper, Elaine Burg, Rev. Jim Riley, Charles Shantz, Jenine Jordahl, Pastor Ken Melby, Pastor John Braaten, Dr. Harry Wendt, Barton Bulman, Lotus Bulman, Lyle Pelke, David Hermundson, Steve Kemp, Linda Nerstad Kemp, and Lucille Baader.

HYMN For All the Saints (vs 1-7) #422

While the hymn is sung, members of the congregation are invited to light candles in remembrance or in honor of a saint in their life.

Children are invited to participate as well.

We celebrate the lives of those we have named, O God, and lift up many more names in our hearts.

Family of God, we remember you, and we honor you. We know you are with us in the spirit of worship, and you will not be forgotten.

Into your hands we commend them, O merciful Savior, sheep of your own fold, lambs of your own flock, sinners of your own redeeming.

Rest eternal grant to them, O Lord, and let light perpetually shine upon them.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, generous and supreme, your loving Son lived among us, instructing us in the ways of humility and justice. Continue to ease our burdens, and lead us to serve alongside of him, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN Halle, Hallelujah vs. 1 #172

WORD FOR KIDS

SUNDAY SCHOOL DISMISSAL: Go My Children with My Blessing vs. 1 #543

Word

God speaks to us in scripture readings, preaching and song.

FIRST READING: 1 JOHN 3:1-3

A saint is one who has been set apart by God for God's purposes. God, out of divine love, set us apart to be the children of God. Our holy hope is that we shall see God as God really is.

¹See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and that is what we are. The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ²Beloved, we are God's children now; what we will be has not yet been revealed. What we do know is this: when he is revealed, we will be like him, for we will see him as he is. ³And all who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God!

(Please stand as you are able)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Alleluia #142

GOSPEL READING: MARK 12:28-34

The holy gospel according to Mark, chapter 12. Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁸One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, "Which commandment is the first of all?" ²⁹Jesus answered, "The first is, 'Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; ³⁰you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength.' ³¹The second is this, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' There is no other commandment greater than these." ³²Then the scribe said to him, "You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that 'he is one, and besides him there is no other'; ³³and 'to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength,' and 'to love one's neighbor as oneself,' — this is much more important than all whole burnt offerings and sacrifices." ⁶⁹⁵

This is the gospel of our Lord. Praise to you, O Christ!

(Congregation may be seated)

SERMON Pastor Steve Meyer

HYMN OF THE DAY In Our Day of Thanksgiving #429

APOSTLES' CREED

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

The response to each prayer will be, "Lord, in your mercy," Congregation reply will be, "Hear our prayer."

SHARING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**You are welcome to send a text or email to share peace with others.

OFFERING

(Offerings may be placed in the wooden offering box as you leave the sanctuary)

OFFERING RESPONSE

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

#885

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray, God of power, God of plenty, all things belong to you. We bring your gifts to the table, that all might be fed. Form us into the body of your Beloved, Jesus Christ, our Savior. Amen.

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ

GREAT THANKSGIVING (SUNG)

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give God our thanks and praise.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (NO INTRO)

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD (WITH INTRO)

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DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMNS Shall We

Shall We Gather at the River

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For the Bread Which You Have Broken

#523 #494

As Saints of Old

#695

Jerusalem My Happy Home

#628

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BENEDICTION

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sending Hymn Rise Up O Saints of God #669

SENDING Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God!**

POSTLUDE

Thank you to Today's Volunteers!

We would love to have your help during our worship service. Please sign up on the bulletin board or on the church website under the sign-up link on the home page.

Thank you!

Greeter:

Ushers: Dave Renslo & Dean Schutte

Reader: Carolyn Hollatz
Coffee and Refreshments:

Presentation Clicker:

Live Stream: Stacey Meyer

Communion Servers: Chloe Kruse, Nyah Rommes, Carolyn Hollatz

Acolytes: Chloe Kruse, Nyah Rommes