Last Sunday of the Church Year

Sunday, November 23, 2025



Immanuel Lutheran Church

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The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

Faithful to God's Word - We receive, celebrate and share Jesus Christ.

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am
with
LIVESTREAM –
FB & YOUTUBE
and RADIO – 103.7 FM

Monday Worship 6:30 pm



A Stephen Ministry Congregation

Pentecost

November 23, 2025

WHO SHOULD COMMUNE HERE

...In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 Repent of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 Trust the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 Confess the faith of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.

Psalm 145:15

...The eyes of all look to you and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand; you satisfy the desire of every living thing.

29th ANNUAL LIVING NATIVITY – A JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM

...hosted by Immanuel Lutheran Church of Frankentrost, 8220 E. Holland Rd in Saginaw on Friday, December 5-7:00-9:00 pm; Saturday, December 6-6:00-8:00 pm; and Sunday, December 7-6:00-8:00 pm. Experience the sights and sounds of Bethlehem on that blessed night when Jesus Christ was born. This is a free 30-minute outdoor walk, so dress for the weather. Fellowship and refreshments will follow in the school.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

...It's time to order your Christmas poinsettias! They can be ordered by ordered from now until Monday, December 1 by calling Carol Truemner at 989-551-9942. Price is \$13.50. Please make checks payable to Carol. The plants can be picked up after the 9:00 service Thursday, December 25 until Sunday, December 28.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

The Huron County Right to Life is once again sponsoring a FREE Prolife Teen Rally. It will be held on Sunday, March 15, 2026, from 2pm-5pm, with registration at 1:30pm. Lunch, giveaways, and a free t-shirt will be given to every rally attendee. There will be more information to follow regarding pre-registering. Come learn what being pro-life is all about!!! The Teen Rally will be held at the Bad Axe Middle School.

HELP NEEDED

...The LWML is currently asking for donations of standard size, darker colored bath towels to complete hygiene kits. Please leave donations in the box outside the church office. Thank you!

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

...Judy Halstead, Kevin Weeks, John Volz, Cassie (Molina) Kerinuk, Loretta Tope, Marlene Faber, Warren Beers, Joan Walz, Gil & Joy Sprague, Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, and Rick Chambers.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, November 16, 2025; 9:00 – ; Monday, 6:30 – 42

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR

...every Sunday morning on WLEW 1340AM at 11:10, WMIC AM 660 at 10:05 or WSAM AM 1340 at 8:30. Today's Lutheran Hour message is "An Unlikely King" with guest speaker Rev. Dr. Chad Lakies. Christ is the King of an unlikely kingdom. Dr. Chad Lakies describes that kingdom's seemingly upside-down, illogical logic. (Philippians 2:5-11)

OWLs

...This Thursday is Thanksgiving with Christmas around the corner. Our traditional Christmas Caroling continues this year on Tuesday, December 9th, in the great room at 1:00 pm. If a family wishes to have in-home carolers, contact a committee member to arrange a date and time. Members: Nancy Brown, Doug Forsberg, Barbara Neuman, Sally Rievert, Pat Seabrook.

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

- ...CTK is on Thanksgiving break this week. We are truly grateful and blessed here at CTK! Thank you to the staff, parents, students, congregations, and community members for the continued prayers and support for our school! God is good!
- ...CTK "B" basketball will continue competition after Thanksgiving Break. They will play in Lapeer on Monday, December 8 and at St. Lorenz, Frankenmuth on Friday, December 12. Go Knights!
- ...Thank you to everyone who came and purchased items from the classes, during the Spirit of Christmas! What a wonderful community we have!
- ...Thank you to the Mary Martha Guild for their generous donation in memory of Sally Elston. This will go to the Library fund.
- ...The Preschool through first grade Christmas program will be at St. Paul on Sunday, December 14 at 2pm. On December 17 at 6:30pm at Immanuel, grades 2-8 will have their Christmas program. We would love to have you join!

THE FIRST HOLLY JOLLY CHRISTMAS FAIR

- ...is right around the corner, December 15-18. The Holly Jolly Christmas Fair is a fully donation funded event for students of Christ the King to shop for Christmas gifts for their family. During the Holly Jolly Christmas Fair students will shop with their classes to purchase gifts ranging in price from \$1 to \$5 for family members. Gifts will go home with the students wrapped and ready to be delivered at Christmas.
- ...To make this a successful event for Christ the King, we need your help! We are accepting donations of large shopping bags (for students to bring gifts home in), gift bags, tissue paper, tape, along with new and gently used items for moms, dads, grandparents, and siblings.

Donations can be brought in to the school office, in Sebewaing. Every donation helps make the event special for our students.

...We are also looking for Holly Jolly volunteers to set up and work the event. Please contact Mrs. Yoder at the school office, 883-3730, or email yoderj@ctkl.org if you have questions or if you are able to help with this event. Thank you in advance!

Our Lord's Business this Week November 23 – November 30

Online giving with Vanco

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room

9:00 AM WORSHIP/Communion
10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

MONDAY: CTK – No School

5:00 PM Finance

6:30 PM WORSHIP/Communion

TUESDAY: CTK – No School

9:00 AM Quilters

6:00 PM Public School Confirmation Class

6:00 PM Christ's Messengers 7:00 PM Adoration Choir

WEDNESDAY: CTK – No School

12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

6:30 PM Thanksgiving Eve Worship/C – group 5 ushers

THURSDAY: CTK – No School/ Church Office Closed

9:00 AM Thanksgiving Day Worship/C – group 6 ushers

FRIDAY: CTK – No School/ Church Office Closed

NEXT SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room

9:00 AM WORSHIP/Communion
10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (NOVEMBER 30)

Elders: 9:00-Roger Bloomfield & Ryan Kuhl Acolytes: 9:00-Mya & Carter Sweetman Greeters: 9:00-Kristi Eimers & Mary Engelhardt

Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 7: Larry Kuhl, Tim Irion, Andy Irion, Jim Hofmeister, David Mammel, Tim Beringer,

Branden Gettel, William Harder

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

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November 23, 2025 9:00 am

Divine Service 1

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| Opening Hymn – A Multitude Comes from the East and the West | LSB 510 |
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Introit

Let all the earth fear the Lord;

let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

Come, bless the Lord, all you servants of the Lord,

who stand by night in the house of the Lord!

Lift up your hands to the holy place

and bless the Lord!

May the Lord bless you from Zion,

he who made heaven and earth!

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.

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let all the inhabitants of the world stand in awe of him!

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Salutation and Collect

Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading - *Malachi 3:13-18*

The Gradual

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,

in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

The Epistle – *Colossians 1:13-20*

Children's Sermon

Alleluia & Verse Page 952

The Gospel – *Luke 23:27-43*

Hymn – Sing with All the Saints in Glory

LSB 671

Sermon

Nicene Creed Page 158

Prayer of the Church

Offering - On Eagle's Wings - Adoration Choir

Offertory Page 159

Communion Liturgy

Service of the Sacrament Page 160

Preface Sanctus

Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord's Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei

Distribution Hymns

| Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence | LSB 621 |
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| Just as I am, without One Plea | LSB 570 |
| Onward, Christian Soldiers | LSB 662 |

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Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Thank the Lord

Closing Hymn – *I Know That My Redeemer Lives*LSB 461

Who Should Commune?

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Malachi 3:13-18

"Your words have been hard against me, says the Lord. But you say, 'How have we spoken against you?' ¹⁴You have said, 'It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the Lord of hosts? ¹⁵And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.'"

¹⁶Then those who feared the Lord spoke with one another. The Lord paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the Lord and esteemed his name. ¹⁷"They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him."

Colossians 1:13-20

He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. ¹⁷And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

Luke 23:27-43

And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. ²⁸But turning to them Jesus said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For behold, the days are coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us,' and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. 34And Jesus said. "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do." And they cast lots to divide his garments. 35 And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!" 36The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" 38There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

PREACHER:

Rev Michael Boyer Roger Bloomfield & Ryan Kuhl Barbara Bleck **ELDERS**:

ORGANIST:

Addison Kelly & Reed Werschky Lorene Zagata & Chris Walz ACOLYTES: **GREETERS:**

Kari Stecker SCRIP:

GROUP 4: Mike Walz, Brent Vogel, Adam Vogel, Craig Rieman, Loren Kunisch, Jeff Williamson, Isaiah Williamson, Pat Stecker, John Kemp, Jim Bratton, Greg Eremia **USHERS:**



Our Congregation at Prayer **Daily Scripture and Prayer** To be Used in the Home Getting Ready for Advent 1 A Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: We come in the presence of God to receive His love outpoured at the cross. That we would also love one another.

The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).

Invocation

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Introit Psalm 118.25-28; ant. Zechariah 9.9b

Behold, your king is coming to you;

Righteous and having salvation.

Save us, we pray, O LORD!

O LORD, we pray, give us success!

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the LORD!

We bless you from the house of the LORD.

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!

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

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.

Behold, your king is coming to you;

Righteous and having salvation.



Collect

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 reigns with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Zechariah 9.9, Psalm 118.26 Gradual

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion.

Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem.

Behold, your king is coming to you;

Righteous and having salvation.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

From the house of the Lord we bless you.

The Psalm for Advent 1 A may be read (Psalm 122) or those printed below.

| Daily Psalms | Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| Morning | 24 | 122 | 33 | 50 | 18.1-20 | 102 | 90 |
| Evening | 25; 110 | 40; 67 | 85; 91 | 14; 16 | 126; 62 | 130; 16 | 80; 72 |

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or these daily readings may be used

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| Daniel 1.1-21 | Matthew 28.1-20 |
| Daniel 2.1-23 | Revelation 18.1-24 |
| Daniel 2.24-49 | Revelation 19.1-21 |
| Daniel 3.1-30 | Revelation 20.1-15 |
| Daniel 4.1-37 | Revelation 21.1-8 |
| Daniel 5.1-30 (7.1-8.27) | Revelation 21.9-27 |
| Daniel 6.1-28 (9.1-27) | Revelation 22.1-21 |
| | Daniel 1.1-21 Daniel 2.1-23 Daniel 2.24-49 Daniel 3.1-30 Daniel 4.1-37 Daniel 5.1-30 (7.1-8.27) |

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 2.1-5

Why would the people travel to the mount of the Lord?

Why would there be this perfect peace? What is Isaiah looking forward to?

How does this fit with our Advent season?

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: Romans 13.8-14

How are the commandments summed up?

Why is salvation nearer now?

How does this text fit with our Advent season?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Matthew 21.1-11 or Matthew 24.36-44

Matthew 21 is the Palm Sunday account. How does this fit with Advent?

How did the King come to His people?

How does the King come among us today?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

The Lord's Prayer Continued

The Second Petition

Thy kingdom come.

What does this mean?

The kingdom of God certainly comes by itself without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may come to us also.

How does God's kingdom come?

God's kingdom comes when our heavenly Father gives us His Holy Spirit, so that by His grace we believe His holy Word and lead godly lives here in time and there in eternity.

The Third Petition

Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.

What does this mean?

The good and gracious will of God is done even without our prayer, but we pray in this petition that it may be done among us also.

How is God's will done?

God's will is done when He breaks and hinders every evil plan and purpose of the devil, the world, and our sinful nature, which do not want us to hallow God's name or let His kingdom come; and when He strengthens and keeps us firm in His Word and faith until we die. This is His good and gracious will.



Dear Immanuel friend in Christ,

We hope the "Give as you are Blessed" stewardship emphasis has been a meaningful reminder to thank, honor, and worship God through our giving. By God's grace, we can excel in the grace of giving as we put God first by giving willingly and generously from the blessings that He entrusts to us. We ask you to seek God's guidance to lead you to a level of giving. Prayerfully consider the possibility of giving a percentage or portion of your income to God through our church. If you have been giving proportionately, please pray about increasing the proportionate amount that you are giving currently. God's Word tells us that when we give faithfully and generously, He will enrich our lives (Proverbs 3:10; Malachi 3:10).

Please place the commitment form, found below, in the offering plates on Commitment Sunday or a future Sunday, or drop off in the church office. As a reminder, this is a commitment between you and our Lord, these will not be seen by anyone else and will be returned to you later for self-reflection on how we are doing with our commitment.

My Commitment for the Lord

| | After prayerful consideration of how the Lord has blessed me/us, I/we will increase the portion that we give by percent of my/our income for ten weeks |
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| | I/we will begin tithing, giving 10% of my/our income to the Lord |
| | I (we) already tithe (10%). I (we) will surpass my/our tithe by % |
| | I/we currently give through an automatic electronic process such as Vanco Giving or my bank and will continue to do so |
| | I/we will begin giving through an automatic electronic process such as Vanco Giving or my bank |
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| ΝA | ME(S): "Giveaccording to the blessing of the Lord" (Deuteronomy 16:17). |



We Want To Publish Your Favorite Recipes!

The Stewardship Board is collecting favorite recipes from our congregation to be published in Immanuel's next cookbook!

Please send us 3 or 4 of your favorite recipes as soon as possible!

Just neatly print or type your favorite recipe on the back of this recipe form (please use the easy-to-follow format). If you need extra copies of the form, stop by the church office or ask a Stewardship member. Be sure to put a title on your recipe. Use only one recipe per form.

Please return your recipes to the Stewardship Board via the church office or Stewardship mailbox...we need 175 more!

These cookbooks make great gifts since they'll have your own recipes in it!

Your friends and family will especially enjoy it...it will be a treasured keepsake for years to come.

Send in your favorite recipes, whether it is a dessert, salad, vegetable or main course. Also include recipes for the Blackstone, air fryer, crockpot, instapot and canning!

Money raised from cookbook sales will benefit the church and school kitchens.

(Please TYPE or PRINT only one recipe per page)

Danima Tidla.

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