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Immanuel means “God With Us”

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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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☞ In the name of the Father, and of the ✚ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Matthew 28:19

☛ Amen.

☞ Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open,
all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid:
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you
and worthily magnify your holy name,
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☛ Amen.

☞ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves,
and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins,
God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins
and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 John 1:8-9

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☐ Most merciful God,

☑ We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

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.

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.

☐ Almighty God, in his mercy,

has given his Son to die for us

and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ,

and by his authority,

I therefore declare to you

the entire forgiveness of all your sins,

in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son,

and of the Holy Spirit.

John 20:21-23

☑ Amen.



***HYMN, “Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing”**

Hymn 499

Green Book

1. Come, thou Fount of ev’ry blessing,
Tune my heart to sing thy grace;
Streams of mercy, never ceasing,
Call for songs of loudest praise.
While the hope of endless glory
Fills my heart with joy and love,
Teach me ever to adore thee;
May I still thy goodness prove.

2. Here I raise my Ebenezer,
Hither by thy help I’m come;
And I hope, by thy good pleasure,
Safely to arrive at home.
Jesus sought me when a stranger,
Wand’ring from the fold of God;
He, to rescue me from danger,
Interposed his precious blood.

3. Oh, to grace how great a debtor
Daily I’m constrained to be;
Let that grace now like a fetter
Bind my wand’ring heart to thee.
Prone to wander, Lord, I feel it;
Prone to leave the God I love.
Here’s my heart, oh, take and seal it;
Seal it for thy courts above.

Robert Robinson (1735-1790)

***GREETING**

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☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

☑ **And also with you.**

2 Corinthians 13:14

☐ In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Green Book

☑ Lord, have mercy.

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

☑ Lord, have mercy.

☐ 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.

☑ Lord, have mercy.

☐ For this holy house, and for all who offer here
their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

☑ Lord, have mercy.

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

☑ Amen.

Fourth Century Greek Litany

***HYMN OF PRAISE, “Glory to God”**

☐ Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Green Book

**☑ 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.**

*Luke 2:14, John 1:29
Fourth Century Greek Hymn*

☐ The Lord be with you.

☑ *(Sung)* And also with you.

☐ Let us pray together . . .

☑ Almighty and eternal God,
you know our problems and our weaknesses
better than we ourselves.
In your love and by your power
help us in our confusion and,
in spite of our weakness,
make us firm in faith;
through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

CHILDREN'S SONG, “*Jesus Loves Me*”

Jesus loves me! This I know, for the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to him belong: They are weak, but he is strong.

Yes, Jesus loves me! Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me! The Bible tells me so.

Jesus loves me! He who died heaven's gates to open wide.
He will wash away my sin, let his little child come in.

Anna Bartlett Warner (1824-1915)



FIRST READING, Ezekiel 33:7-11

“Son of man, I have made you a watchman for the people of Israel; so hear the word I speak and give them warning from me. When I say to the wicked, ‘You wicked person, you will surely die,’ and you do not speak out to dissuade them from their ways, that wicked person will die for their sin, and I will hold you accountable for their blood. But if you do warn the wicked person to turn from their ways and they do not do so, they will die for their sin, though you yourself will be saved.

“Son of man, say to the Israelites, ‘This is what you are saying: “Our offenses and sins weigh us down, and we are wasting away because of them. How then can we live?”’ Say to them, ‘As surely as I live, declares the Sovereign LORD, I take no pleasure in the death of the wicked, but rather that they turn from their ways and live. Turn! Turn from your evil ways! Why will you die, people of Israel?’”

(NIV)

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

PSALM 32:1-7

📖 Blessed is the one
whose transgressions are forgiven,
whose sins are covered.

🙏 Blessed is the one
whose sin the LORD does not count against them
and in whose spirit is no deceit.

📖 When I kept silent,
my bones wasted away
through my groaning all day long.

🙏 For day and night
your hand was heavy on me;
my strength was sapped
as in the heat of summer.

📖 Then I acknowledged my sin to you
and did not cover up my iniquity.

**☛ I said, “I will confess
my transgressions to the LORD.”
And you forgave
the guilt of my sin.**

📖 Therefore let all the faithful pray to you
while you may be found;
surely the rising of the mighty waters
will not reach them.

**☛ You are my hiding place;
you will protect me from trouble
and surround me with songs of deliverance.**

(NIV)

SECOND READING, Romans 13:8-14

Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.

And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

📖 The Word of the Lord.

(NIV)

☛ Thanks be to God.

***ALLELUIA VERSE**

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

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John 6:68

📖 The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 18th chapter.

🎤 *(Sung)* **Glory to you, O Lord.**

📖 At that time the disciples came to Jesus and asked, “Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven?”

He called a little child to him, and placed the child among them. And he said: “Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of heaven. And whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me.

“If anyone causes one of these little ones — those who believe in me — to stumble, it would be better for them to have a large millstone hung around their neck and to be drowned in the depths of the sea. Woe to the world because of the things that cause people to stumble! Such things must come, but woe to the person through whom they come! If your hand or your foot causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life maimed or crippled than to have two hands or two feet and be thrown into eternal fire. And if your eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to enter life with one eye than to have two eyes and be thrown into the fire of hell.

“See that you do not despise one of these little ones. For I tell you that their angels in heaven always see the face of my Father in heaven.

“What do you think? If a man owns a hundred sheep, and one of them wanders away, will he not leave the ninety-nine on the hills and go to look for the one that wandered off? And if he finds it, truly I tell you, he is happier about that one sheep than about the ninety-nine that did not wander off. In the same way your Father in heaven is not willing that any of these little ones should perish.

“If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. But if they will not listen, take one or two others along, so that ‘every matter may be established by the testimony of two or three witnesses.’ If they still refuse to listen, tell it to the church;

and if they refuse to listen even to the church, treat them as you would a pagan or a tax collector.

“Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.

“Again, truly I tell you that if two of you on earth agree about anything they ask for, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them.”

(NIV)

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🎵 *(Sung)* Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor David James Baer



Rejoice with me because
I have found my
lost sheep

1. Jesus sinners will receive;
May they all this saying ponder
Who in sin’s delusions live
And from God and heaven wander!
Here is hope for all who grieve:
Jesus sinners will receive.

2. We deserve but grief and shame,
Yet his words, rich grace revealing,
Pardon, peace, and life proclaim.
Here our ills have perfect healing;
We with humble hearts believe
Jesus sinners will receive.

3. When their sheep have lost their way,
Faithful shepherds go to seek them;
Jesus watches all who stray,
Faithfully to find and take them
In his arms, that they may live —
Jesus sinners will receive.

4. Come, O sinners, one and all,
Come, accept his invitation;
Come, obey his gracious call,
Come and take his free salvation!
Firmly in these words believe:
Jesus sinners will receive.

5. Jesus sinners will receive.
Even me he has forgiven;
And when I this earth must leave,
I shall find an open heaven.
Dying, still to him I cleave —
Jesus sinners will receive.

**☒ I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
He descended into hell.**

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*Eighth Century Creed based on
Rules of Faith and Baptism Creeds
dating back to the Second Century*

THE PRAYERS

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Response: **☐ Lord, in your mercy,
☒ Hear our prayer.**

OFFERING OF OURSELVES AND OUR GIFTS TO GOD



***OFFERTORY, “What Shall I Render”**

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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.

Psalm 116:12-14, 17-19

***OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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☞ Merciful Father,
☩ We offer with joy and thanksgiving
what you have first given us —
our selves, our time, and our possessions,
signs of your gracious love.
Receive them for the sake of him
who offered himself for us,
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

— SACRAMENT —

***PREFACE** (*Sung*)

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☞ 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 him thanks and praise.

Third Century Christian Liturgies

***PROPER PREFACE**

☐ It is indeed right and salutary
that we should at all times and in all places
offer thanks and praise to you,
O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord;
who on this day overcame death and the grave,
and by his glorious resurrection
opened to us the way of everlasting life.
And so, with the Church on earth
and the hosts of heaven,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

***SANCTUS** *(Sung)*

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☐ **Holy, holy, holy Lord,
Lord, God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.**

Green Book

**Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.**

*Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9
Second Century Christian Hymn*

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

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☐ In the night in which he was betrayed
our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks;
broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
“Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

Again, after supper, he took the cup,
gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:
“This cup is the new testament in my blood,
shed for you and for all people
for the forgiveness of sin.
Do this for the remembrance of me.”

*Matthew 26:26-28; Mark 14:22-24
Luke 22:19-20; 1 Corinthians 11:23-25*

**☩ 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.**

Matthew 6:9-13

HOLY COMMUNION

All baptized Christians who trust that Jesus is true to his promise — giving his body and blood with the bread and wine for you for the forgiveness of your sins — are welcome to receive the Lord's Supper with us. White grape juice is available in the center of each tray for those who are unable to receive wine for health reasons. During the distribution of Holy Communion, the congregation sings:

LBW Page 92, "Lamb of God"

LBW Hymn 456, "The King of Love My Shepherd Is"

LBW Hymn 480, "O that the Lord Would Guide My Ways"

LAMB OF GOD (Sung)

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**☩ Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world;
grant us peace, grant us peace.**

Green Book

John 1:29

Seventh Century Hymn

HYMN, “The King of Love My Shepherd Is” LBW Hymn 456

Green Book

1. The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am his.
And he is mine forever.

2. Where streams of living water flow,
My ransomed soul he leadeth
And, where the verdant pastures grow,
With food celestial feedeth.

3. Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love he sought me,
And on his shoulder gently laid,
And home, rejoicing, brought me.

4. In death’s dark vale I fear no ill,
With thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still;
Thy cross before to guide me.

5. Thou spreadst a table in my sight;
Thine unction grace bestoweth;
And oh, what transport of delight
From thy pure chalice floweth!

6. And so, through all the length of days,
Thy goodness faileth never.
Good Shepherd, may I sing thy praise
Within thy house forever.

Henry W. Baker (1821-1877)



HYMN, “Oh, that the Lord Would Guide My Ways” Hymn 480

Green Book

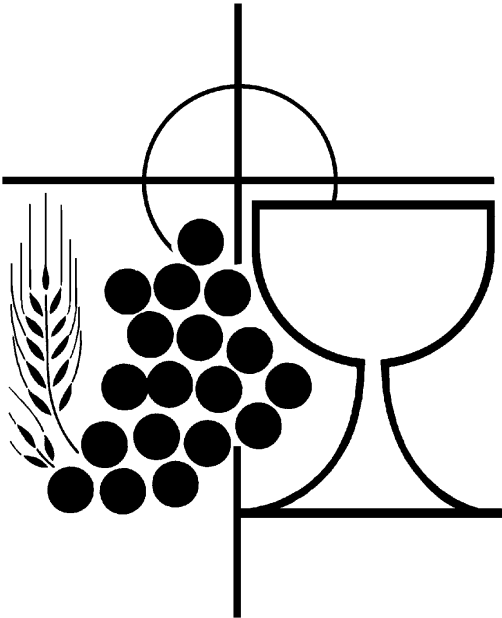
1. Oh, that the Lord would guide my ways
To keep his statutes still!
Oh, that my God would grant me grace
To know and do his will!

2. Order my footsteps by your Word
And make my heart sincere;
Let sin have no dominion, Lord,
But keep my conscience clear.

3. Assist my soul, too apt to stray,
A stricter watch to keep;
And should I e’er forget your way,
Restore your wand’ring sheep.

4. Make me to walk in your commands,
'Tis a delightful road;
Nor let my head or heart or hands
Offend against my God.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)



***COMMUNION BLESSING**

☞ The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his holy and precious blood strengthen and keep you in true faith unto life everlasting.

☞ **Amen.**

Eighth Century Blessing

***CANTICLE, “Thank the Lord”**

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☞ **Thank the Lord and sing his praise;**

Green Book

Tell ev’ryone what he has done.

Let ev’ryone who seeks the Lord

rejoice and proudly bear his name.

He recalls his promises

and leads his people forth in joy

with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia. Alleluia.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

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☞ We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life; and we pray that in your mercy you would strengthen us, through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Martin Luther (1483-1546)

☞ **Amen.**

***BLESSING**

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☞ The Lord bless you and keep you.

Green Book

The Lord make his face to shine upon you

and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor

and ✠ give you peace.

Numbers 6:24-26

☞ *(Sung)* **Amen.**

***DISMISSAL**

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☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

***HYMN, “Lord, Speak to Us, that We May Speak”**

Hymn 403

Green Book

1. Lord, speak to us, that we may speak
In living echoes of your tone;
As you have sought, so let us seek
Your straying children, lost and lone.

2. Oh, lead us, Lord, that we may lead
The wand’ring and the wav’ring feet;
Oh, feed us, Lord, that we may feed
Your hung’ring ones with manna sweet.

3. Oh, teach us, Lord, that we may teach
The precious truths which you impart,
And wing our words, that they may reach
The hidden depths of many a heart.

4. Oh, fill us with your fullness, Lord,
Until our very hearts o’erflow
In kindling thought and glowing word,
Your love to tell, your praise to show.

Frances R. Havergal (1836-1879)

POSTLUDE



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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Alex and family	Agnes & Mark Baumann
Patricia Bridgeman	Lenae Ebel
Kirsten Flagstad	Gail Hemeyer
Dick Horak	Charles Jackson
Felicity Kramer	Allison Lester
Cleo Miller	Kristin & Lester Nies
Connie Ross	Kathy Rost
Rita Shewmake	Guyla Baer Sturgeon
Carletta and Steve Vasknetz	Anne Vossler

David Wanhannen
Cherry Bieber (friend of Jon and Shelley Iverson)
Jody Blevins (daughter of Claire and Maxine Ripley)
Curtis Clark (friend of Patricia Bridgeman)
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)
Kris Eide (sister of Ardith Petersen and Lois Rath)
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)
Wayne Fiechtner (brother of Ardith Petersen and Lois Rath)
Ronnie Fischer (brother of Judy Haiwick)
Addie Graves (sister-in-law of Brandon and Alyssa Loll)
Sherry Grismer (sister of Pastor David Baer)
Ernie Griner (11-year-old friend of Meta Halverson)
Martina Ham (mother of Diane Kunz)
Doug Hewitt (brother-in-law of Diane Kunz)
David Hoaas (brother-in-law of Lynelle Follum)
Donovan Hunt (son of Carol Vercoe)
Coleen Iverson-Routh (sister of Jon Iverson)
Steve Kampfe (son of Garland and Kathy Kampfe)
JoAnn Knutson (mother of Todd Knutson)
Kathryn Koch (mother of Mike Koch)
LeRoy Koch (father of Mike Koch)
Roger Kurtenbach (friend of Jean Zambon)
Callie Kvanvig (great niece of Ray Follum)
Michael & Jan Meyer (brother & sister-in-law of Midge Hemeyer)
Caren Miller (sister of Maxine Ripley)
Mitch Palmer (friend of Paul Swisher)
Roy Riley (grandson of Carol Vercoe)
Tim Ripley (friend of Paul Swisher)
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)
Traci Westberg (daughter-in-law of Tony and Alona Westberg)
Sandra Wittrock (sister of Darrell Pulscher)
Kay Zuhr (sister of Chris Burleson)
Zhuang People (unreached people group in China)
For rain and relief from our drought

ORGAN UPDATE: We have ordered a new organ to be built by Arnold Organs. A loaner organ to be used until our console is built and the new organ speakers will be installed soon. The organ builder had to delay the installation scheduled for last week due to a medical issue. We thank all those who have supported our organ fund.

CHOIR REHEARSALS are at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays starting Sept. 16. If you are interested in singing in our choir, please come. Talk to Toby Rath or Pastor David for more information.

OUR WOMEN'S GROUP will meet at 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 15, for their monthly Bible study and meeting at the church. All women are welcome. Talk to Alona Westberg or Shelley Iverson for more information.

A MEN'S GROUP will meet at 7 a.m. on Mondays at the church starting on Sept. 21. All men are welcome. Talk to Jon Iverson for more information.

A BIBLE STUDY is tentatively scheduled to meet at 5:30 p.m. each Tuesday starting Sept. 22. A light supper will be served prior to each study at 5 p.m. Let Pastor David know if this works for you.

WHITEWOOD KIDS CLUB — our Wednesday night children's ministry — meets from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. each week. Sept. 23 is the first day for Kids Club this fall. Kids Club is designed for children Age 4 through Grade 5. For more information about Kids Club or to volunteer to help with Kids Club, talk to Brit Porterfield or Pastor David.

GREETING CARDS, napkins and cookbooks are for sale by the Immanuel Church Women. They are available on the bookshelf in the fellowship hall near the kitchen.

THOSE OVER AGE 70½ have the opportunity to take tax-free distributions from their IRAs for direct gifts to churches and other non-profit organizations. This is a significant tax benefit. Talk to your tax advisor, IRA custodian, or Pastor David for more information about Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCD).

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Today	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:15 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
Friday	4:30 p.m. — Kids Club leadership
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:15 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School

THANK YOU to everyone who helped assemble school kits for Lutheran World Relief last Sunday. Thank you to all who brought items for the kits and provided funds to purchase school supplies. We were able to complete 150 kits to help needy children around the world go to school.

ONLINE WORSHIP: We stream our Sunday worship service on the internet for those who are unable to join us in person. You can join the service live at 9 a.m. on Sunday or watch the recording of the service at a later time. Links to the service are on our website, www.immanuellutheranwhitewoodsd.com. The bulletin is posted to the website prior to the live broadcast.

A PRAYER LIST is printed in the bulletin each week. If you have any additions to the list or corrections, please let Pastor David know.

OUR MISSION OF THE MONTH is the Society of St. Vincent de Paul in the Northern Hills. The Society of St. Vincent de Paul is a worldwide organization of lay Roman Catholics, following Christ's call to serve the poor, the suffering, and the deprived. Society members establish relationships with our neighbors in need, not only providing material assistance such as rent, utilities, food, or clothing, but also offering friendship, understanding, and love. You can learn more at ssvpusa.org or societyofstvincentdepaulblackhillssd.com. We support the work of the society serving Sturgis, Whitewood and Newell. Mission of the Month highlights one of the ministries supported through your regular giving to Immanuel.

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshipping with us today. We especially welcome our visitors. If you are unfamiliar with our worship, one of our members will gladly assist you. Visitors, please be sure to sign the guest register in the narthex. We hope that you will worship with us again soon.

ALL ARE INVITED to stay for a time of fellowship following worship. Baked goods, donuts, coffee, and juice are available. An offering is received to cover expenses.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10:25 a.m. on Sundays in the library social room. We are watching an interview podcast series from 1517 featuring Kelsi Klembara. She interviews scholars and authors about various topics. This week we will watch an interview with Dr. Ryan Burge on “The Vanishing Church in America.” Please join us for this opportunity to grow in faith.

A NEW HEARING ASSISTANCE SYSTEM is being considered for Immanuel. It would allow people to listen to the service from their own Auracast Bluetooth compatible receiving device such as hearing aids, cochlear implants, headphones, or smart phones. Talk to Pastor David or a Church Council member if you have questions or would be interested in using such a device if we install it.

THANK YOU to Tony and Alona Westberg for installing new shelving to display our mission photos in the hallway between the library social room and the fellowship hall. Check out the photos of some of the ministries that our congregation supports.

BIBLE STUDY FOR FALL? We are trying to decide on good times to offer Bible studies this fall. We could offer studies in the morning, afternoon or evening and on a variety of days of the week and at a variety of frequencies from weekly to monthly. We are also open to a variety of study possibilities. Let Pastor David know what your preferences are and if you would be interested in participating.

SERVICE TEAM #1 is looking for volunteers to help with serving during September. Please sign up on the sheet on the bulletin board in the library social room.