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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.

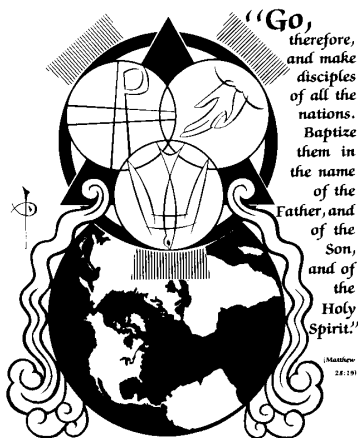
☐ Most merciful God,

☑ **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, “Jesus Shall Reign”**

LBW Hymn 530

Green Book

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
Does its successive journeys run;
His kingdom stretch from shore to shore,
Till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2. To him shall endless prayer be made,
And praises throng to crown his head;
His name like sweet perfume shall rise
With ev'ry morning sacrifice.

3. People and realms of ev'ry tongue
Dwell on his love with sweetest song;
And infant voices shall proclaim
Their early blessings on his name.

4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns:
The pris'ners leap to lose their chains,
The weary find eternal rest,
And all who suffer want are blest.

5. Let ev'ry creature rise and bring
Honors peculiar to our King;
Angels descend with songs again,
And earth repeat the loud amen.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

***GREETING**

☐ 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



*RESPONSIVE READING

P Jesus said to his disciples,
“You did not choose me but I chose you.
And I appointed you to go and bear fruit, fruit that will last,
so that the Father will give you
whatever you ask him in my name.” *John 15:16*

C “As you have sent me into the world,
so I have sent them into the world.” *John 17:18*

P “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me.
Go therefore and make disciples of all nations,
baptizing them in the name of the Father
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,

C “And teaching them to obey everything
that I have commanded you.
And remember, I am with you always,
to the end of the age.” *Matthew 28:18-20*

P When Jesus saw the crowds, he had compassion for them,
because they were harassed and helpless,
like sheep without a shepherd.

C Then he said to his disciples,
“The harvest is plentiful,
but the laborers are few;
therefore ask the Lord of the harvest
to send out laborers into his harvest.” *Matthew 9:36-38*

P “Go into all the world
and proclaim the Gospel to the whole creation.

C “Whoever believes and is baptized will be saved,
but whoever does not believe will be condemned.” *Mark 16:15-16*

P “For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish
but have eternal life.”

C “For God did not send his Son into the world
to condemn the world,
but in order that the world might be saved through him.” *John 3:16-17*

1. Hark, the voice of Jesus calling,
“Who will go and work today?
Fields are white and harvests waiting,
Who will bear the sheaves away?”
Loud and long the master calls you;
Rich reward he offers free.
Who will answer, gladly saying,
“Here am I. Send me, send me”?

2. If you cannot speak like angels,
If you cannot preach like Paul,
You can tell the love of Jesus;
You can say he died for all.
If you cannot rouse the wicked
With the judgment’s dread alarms,
You can lead the little children
To the Savior’s waiting arms.

3. If you cannot be a watchman,
Standing high on Zion’s wall,
Pointing out the path to heaven,
Off’ring life and peace to all,
With your prayers and with your bounties
You can do what God demands;
You can be like faithful Aaron,
Holding up the prophet’s hands.

4. Let none hear you idly saying,
“There is nothing I can do,”
While the multitudes are dying
And the master calls for you.
Take the task he gives you gladly;
Let his work your pleasure be.
Answer quickly when he calls you,
“Here am I. Send me, send me!”

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

☞ The Lord be with you.

☞ And also with you.

☞ Let us pray together . . .

☞ Merciful Father,

**your kindness caused the light of the Gospel
to shine among us.**

**Extend your mercy now, we pray,
to all the people of the world
who do not have hope in Jesus Christ,
that your salvation may be made known to them also
and that all hearts would turn to you;
through the same, Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and forever. Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG, “*Jesus Loves the Little Children*”

Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Red and yellow, black and white,
They are precious in his sight.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus cares for all the children,
All the children of the world.
Ev'ry child in ev'ry land,
Jesus holds them in his hand.
Jesus cares for all the children of the world.

Clarence H. Woolston (1856-1927)



— WORD —

FIRST READING, Isaiah 62:1-7

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not rest,
until her vindication shines out like the dawn,
and her salvation like a burning torch.
The nations shall see your vindication,
and all the kings your glory;
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your God.
You shall no more be termed Forsaken,
and your land shall no more be termed Desolate;
but you shall be called My Delight Is in Her,
and your land Married;
for the LORD delights in you,
and your land shall be married.
For as a young man marries a young woman,
so shall your builder marry you,
and as the bridegroom rejoices over the bride,
so shall your God rejoice over you.
Upon your walls, O Jerusalem,
I have posted sentinels;
all day and all night
they shall never be silent.
You who remind the LORD,
take no rest,
and give him no rest
until he establishes Jerusalem
and makes it renowned throughout the earth.

(NRSV)

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

PSALM 96

📖 O sing to the LORD a new song;
sing to the LORD, all the earth.

📖 **Sing to the LORD, bless his name;
tell of his salvation from day to day.**

📖 Declare his glory among the nations,
his marvelous works among all the peoples.

📖 **For great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised;
he is to be revered above all gods.**

📖 For all the gods of the peoples are idols,
but the LORD made the heavens.

📖 **Honor and majesty are before him;
strength and beauty are in his sanctuary.**

📖 Ascribe to the LORD, O families of the peoples,
ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

📖 **Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;
bring an offering, and come into his courts.**

📖 Worship the LORD in holy splendor;
tremble before him, all the earth.

📖 **Say among the nations, “The LORD is king!
The world is firmly established; it shall never be moved.
He will judge the peoples with equity.”**

📖 Let the heavens be glad, and let the earth rejoice;

📖 **Let the sea roar, and all that fills it;
let the field exult, and everything in it.**

📖 Then shall all the trees of the forest sing for joy
before the LORD; for he is coming,
for he is coming to judge the earth.

📖 **He will judge the world with righteousness,
and the peoples with his truth.**

(NRSV)



SECOND READING, Romans 10:11-17

For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching? And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!” But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?” So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

(ESV)

📖 The Word of the Lord.

🙏 Thanks be to God.

*HYMN, “*Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word*” LBW Hymn 379

1. Spread, oh, spread, almighty Word, *Green Book*
Spread the reign of God the Lord;
Tell how his own Son he gave,
All from sin and death to save.

2. Tell of our Redeemer’s grace,
Who, to save our human race
And to pay rebellion’s price,
Gave himself as sacrifice.

3. Tell of God the Spirit giv’n
Now to guide us on to heav’n,
Strong and holy, just and true,
Working both to will and do.

Jonathan F. Bahnmaier (1774-1841)

***GOSPEL, Luke 24:44-53**

📖 The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 24th chapter.

🎵 **Glory to you, O Lord.**

📖 Then Jesus said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you — that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And see, I am sending upon you what my Father promised; so stay here in the city until you have been clothed with power from on high.”

Then he led them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshiped him, and returned to Jerusalem with great joy; and they were continually in the temple blessing God. (NRSV)

📖 The Gospel of the Lord.

🎵 **Praise to you, O Christ.**

HYMN, “*Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word*” LBW Hymn 379

4. Lord of harvest, great and kind, *Green Book*
Rouse to action heart and mind;
Let the gath’ring nations all
See your light and heed your call.

SERMON

Pastor Charles Jackson
World Mission Prayer League



WORLD MISSION PRAYER LEAGUE

***HYMN, “Facing a Task Unfinished”**

Tune: 369

1. Facing a task unfinished
That drives us to our knees,
A need that, undiminished,
Rebukes our slothful ease,
We who rejoice to know you
Renew before your throne
The solemn pledge we owe you
To go and make you known.

2. Where other lords beside you
Hold their unhindered sway,
Where forces that defied you
Defy you still today,
With none to heed their crying
For life and love and light,
Unnumbered souls are dying
And pass into the night.

3. We bear the torch that flaming
Fell from the hands of those
Who gave their lives proclaiming
That Jesus died and rose;
Ours is the same commission,
The same glad message ours;
Fired by the same ambition,
To you we yield our pow’rs.

4. O Father, who sustained them,
O Spirit, who inspired,
Savior, whose love constrained them
To toil with zeal untired,
From cowardice defend us,
From lethargy awake!
Forth on your errands send us
To labor for your sake.

Frank Houghton (1894-1972)

**☑ 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 the Father.

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

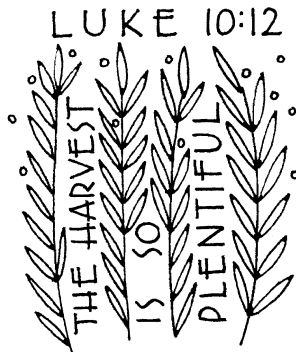
**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*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

“From All that Dwell Below the Skies” is sung as the offerings are received.

HYMN, “*From All that Dwell Below the Skies*”

Hymn 550

1. From all that dwell below the skies

Green Book

Let the creator’s praise arise;

Let the redeemer’s name be sung

Through ev’ry land, in ev’ry tongue.

2. Eternal are your mercies, Lord;

Eternal truth attends your Word;

Your praise shall sound from shore to shore,

Till suns shall rise and set no more.

Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

— SACRAMENT —

*GREAT THANKSGIVING

☐ 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.**

*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 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:

**☒ Holy, holy, holy Lord,
God of power and might,
Heaven and earth are full of your glory.
Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.
Hosanna in the highest.**

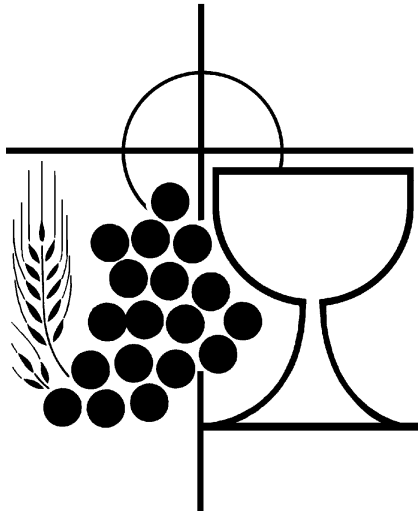
Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

**☐ 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*



*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,
forever and ever. Amen.**

Matthew 6:9-13

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:

WOV Page 39, "Lamb of God"

WOV Hymn 706, "Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup"

LBW Hymn 390, "I Love to Tell the Story"

LBW Hymn 403, "Lord, Speak to Us, that We May Speak"

LAMB OF GOD

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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.**

Blue Book

John 1:29

HYMN, “Eat This Bread, Drink This Cup”

WOV Hymn 706

Refrain: Eat this bread, drink this cup.

Blue Book

Taste and see the goodness of God.

Bread of life, cup of love,

We rejoice in your presence.

1. I will bless the Lord at all times,
praise with heart and voice;
in my God I glory forever:
listen and rejoice! *Refrain*

2. Look upon the Lord, be radiant,
never turn away.
God will save in ev’ry affliction,
hear us when we pray. *Refrain*

3. Angels fold their wings around us,
guard through good and ill.
Those who seek the Lord will lack nothing;
taste, and have your fill. *Refrain*

4. Saints of God, bow down and worship,
bless the holy name.
Rise to tell God’s greatness forever,
wondrous deeds proclaim! *Refrain*

Psalm 34

Jeremy Young (1948-)



HYMN, “*I Love to Tell the Story*”

LBW Hymn 390

Green Book

1. I love to tell the story
Of unseen things above,
Of Jesus and his glory,
Of Jesus and his love.
I love to tell the story,
Because I know it's true;
It satisfies my longings
As nothing else would do.

Refrain: I love to tell the story;
I'll sing this theme in glory
And tell the old, old story
Of Jesus and his love.

2. I love to tell the story:
How pleasant to repeat
What seems, each time I tell it,
More wonderfully sweet!
I love to tell the story,
For some have never heard
The message of salvation
From God's own holy Word. *Refrain.*

3. I love to tell the story,
For those who know it best
Seem hungering and thirsting
To hear it like the rest.
And when, in scenes of glory,
I sing the new, new song.
I'll sing the old, old story
That I have loved so long. *Refrain.*

Katherine Hankey (1834-1911)



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)

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***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, “Thankful hearts and voices . . .” WOV Page 40**

☞ Thankful hearts and voices raise;

Blue Book

Tell everyone what God has done.

Let all who seek the Lord rejoice

and bear Christ’s holy name.

Send us with your promises, O God,

And lead us forth in joy

With shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia.

***POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

☞ Almighty God, you provide the true bread from heaven, your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant that we who have received the Sacrament of his body and blood may abide in him and he in us, that we may be filled with the power of his endless life, now and forever.

☞ Amen.

— SENDING —

***BLESSING**

☞ Almighty God, Father, ✠ Son and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

☞ Amen.

***DISMISSAL**

☞ Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

☞ Thanks be to God.

1. O Zion, haste, your mission high fulfilling,
To tell to all the world that God is light;
That he who made all nations is not willing
One soul should perish, lost in shades of night.

Refrain: Publish glad tidings, tidings of peace,
Tidings of Jesus, redemption, and release.

2. Publish to ev’ry people, tongue, and nation
That God, in whom they live and move, is love;
Tell how he stooped to save his lost creation
And died on earth that we might live above. *Refrain.*

3. Give of your own to bear the message glorious,
Give of your wealth to speed them on their way,
Pour out your soul for them in prayer victorious,
And haste the coming of the glorious day. *Refrain.*

4. He comes again! O Zion, ere you meet him,
Make known to ev’ry heart his saving grace;
Let none whom he has ransomed fail to greet him,
Through your neglect, unfit to see his face. *Refrain.*

Mary Ann Thomson (1834-1923)

POSTLUDE



PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER THIS WEEK:

Alex and family	Don Dubbe
Lenae Ebel	Shelley Iverson
Felicity Kramer	Claire and Maxine Ripley
Connie Ross	Violet Rost
Guyla Baer Sturgeon	Paul Swisher
Carletta and Steve Vasknetz	Anne Vossler

Kaleb (great grandson of Jean Sneesby)
Cheryl Anderson (sister of Corey Halverson)
Cherry Bieber (friend of Jon and Shelley Iverson)
Jody Blevins (daughter of Claire and Maxine Ripley)
Larry Conklin (brother of Claudia Christensen)
Marla Ebel (sister of Rita Shewmake)
Kris Eide (sister of Ardith Petersen and Lois Rath)
Melanie Erickson (sister of Brenda Rath)
Ellen Fiechtner (mother of Ardith Petersen and Lois Rath)
Steve Fiechtner (brother of Ardith Petersen and Lois Rath)
Ronnie Fischer (brother of Judy Haiwick)
Ernie Griner (11-year-old friend of Meta Halverson)
June Halverson (mother of Corey Halverson)
Martina Ham (mother of Diane Kunz)
Ike Iverson (father of Jon Iverson)
Coleen Iverson-Routh (sister of Jon Iverson)
Steve Kampfe (son of Garland and Kathy Kampfe)
Callie Kvanvig (great niece of Ray Follum)
Lois Meyer (sister-in-law of Midge Hemeyer)
Michael and Jan Meyer (brother and 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)
Aaron Richards (infant son of Grace (Smith) and Hunter Richards)
Ava Rouvennolt (6-year-old girl with cancer, friend of Judy Haiwick)
Dean Sandidge (son of Lance Sandidge, grandson of Leon and Shanna)
Carreen Smith (sister of Mimi Swisher)
Jeremy Sundby (nephew of Claire and Maxine Ripley)
Jess Teigen (friend of Amelia Knutson)
Ryan Thomas (cousin of Mary Tracy)
Xayne Vroman (great grandson of Cindy and Harold Davis)
Jane White and family (friend of Mary Tracy)
Traci Westberg (daughter-in-law of Tony and Alona Westberg)
Melissa Williams (friend of Mark and Mary Tracy)
Robert Zuhr (brother-in-law of Chris Burleson)
Zhuang People (unreached people group in China)
Charles and Anita Jackson and World Mission Prayer League
Annunciation Catholic Church and School in Minneapolis

DR. DOUG WESSEL will be teaching a course at Immanuel again this fall. His course last year was well received and well attended. This year he will be teaching a course entitled, “The Exodus: Biblical and Historic Perspectives on Freedom with Implications for America” on four Thursday in October (starting on Oct. 2). This four-session class will discuss the Israelite exodus from slavery in Egypt to freedom in the promised land in Canaan. The principles that can be learned from the biblical account of this experience are foundational for building a free and responsibility society. The implications of these principles for the future of freedom in America will be considered. The class will be offered at 6:45 p.m. and will be preceded by a light meal. Dr. Wessel is a semi-retired professor of psychology from Black Hills State University.

BOOKS AND CULTURE DISCUSSION GROUP is a new group that will meet monthly at Immanuel to discuss recent important “secular” books that have broad cultural significance and consider their implications from a Christian perspective and biblical worldview. Although important ideas can have political associations, the goal of the group is to engage in mutually respectful and objective conversation and avoid politically partisan debate. Please read the selected book to prepare for the discussion with the group. The first book to be read for the September meeting is *Regime Change: Toward a Postliberal Future* by Patrick Deneen. It is available new or used in paperback, hardback, and e-book formats from local bookstores and online. A new hardback is currently \$15 at Amazon and Walmart. The group will meet monthly and select a book to be read for discussion at the next meeting. The first meeting will be at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 30. For more information talk to Doug Wessel who is leading the group. You can see a sample copy of the book on the table in the library social room.

FINANCIAL SECRETARY: We are looking for someone who would be willing to serve as financial secretary for Immanuel. The financial secretary oversees the counting of offerings and keeps a record of giving by members and issues annual statements of giving. This is a volunteer position appointed by the Church Council. If you are interested in serving as financial secretary or have questions about the position, please talk to a Church Council member, Pastor David, or Rita Shewmake, the current financial secretary.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL:

Today	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School
Monday	7:00 a.m. — Men's Group
Wednesday	6:00 p.m. — Confirmation class
Next Sunday	9:00 a.m. — Worship
	10:00 a.m. — Coffee Fellowship
	10:25 a.m. — Adult Sunday School

CONGRATULATIONS to Grace (Smith) and Aaron Richards on the birth of their son, Aaron. His grandparents are Vaughn and Ginger Smith and great grandparents are Dave and Janelle Arehart.

NEW MEMBERS will be formally received soon. If you are interested in joining Immanuel, please talk to Pastor David.

A MEN'S GROUP meets at 7 a.m. on Mondays at the church. They are currently studying the book of Acts. All men are welcome. Talk to Mark Tracy or Jon Iverson for more information.

CONFIRMATION classes will be at 6 p.m. on Wednesdays starting this week. We moved confirmation to Wednesday evenings because of some new conflicts with school sports practices this year. Talk to Pastor David if you have any questions about confirmation.

WHITEWOOD KIDS CLUB — our Wednesday night children's ministry — will meet from 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. each week starting Sept. 10. 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.

CHOIR REHEARSALS will be at 5:30 p.m. on Thursdays starting on Sept. 18. If you are interested in singing in our choir, please come. Talk to Toby Rath for more information.

WELCOME TO ALL who are worshiping 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. Donuts, coffee, and juice are available. A free-will offering is received to cover expenses.

WE WELCOME Charles and Anita Jackson to our worship today. They serve God with the World Mission Prayer League (WMPL). Charles is the Executive Director of WMPL Canada, and Anita works with Prayer Mobilization and Communications. Charles and Anita have served with WMPL since 2001 first in Kenya, and then in Mongolia. They began to serve in the WMPL Canada home office in 2018. The World Mission Prayer League exists to see that populations with limited or no access to the Gospel experience the love of Christ and that believers and communities of believers in the Americas and elsewhere engage in active and collaborative participation in living out their roles in the Great Commission. WMPL is a Lutheran community committed to know Christ, pray for the advance of his kingdom, share the Gospel and ourselves with those who do not know him; and encourage Christians everywhere in this global task. We support the ministry of Charles and Anita and WMPL through your regular giving to Immanuel. You can learn more about WMPL at *wmpl.org*.

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL meets at 10:25 a.m. on Sundays in the library social room. Today we will be meeting with our guests Charles and Anita Jackson of World Mission Prayer League to talk about their lives and ministry. Everyone is encouraged to join us for this opportunity to grow in faith.

THANK YOU to all who helped put together School Kits for Lutheran World Relief School Kits last Sunday and to all who brought school supplies for the kits. We were able to complete 148 school kits last week. Thank you for making a difference in the life of a child and help a child go to school.