

**NEW YEAR'S EVE
SERVICE**

DECEMBER 31, 2020

**IMMANUEL
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9:00 AM

Worship Service

10:30 am

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Sunday School**

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1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday

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Do not fear, little flock,
for it is your Father's good pleasure
to give you the kingdom.

Luke 12:32



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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this evening. It is our hope that you will benefit by your worship here with us, and that you will return again soon. We would greatly appreciate it if everyone would fill out an Attendance/Communion card so that we can keep track of our attendance. They are located in the pew racks in front of you.



A Prayer Upon Entering Church - Eternal God, I commit to Your mercy and forgiveness the year now ending and commend to Your blessing and love the times yet to come. In the new year, abide in me with Your Holy Spirit that I may always trust in the saving name of my Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - As the world rings in the New Year, there are many things to consider from 2020. We consider those who have died in the past year. We consider our own sins and failures. But we also consider all of the ways in which Jesus has continued to lead and guide us. On this night, we remember the love of Christ that sustains us through each passing year, and we pray His blessing on another year of grace.

† SERVICE OF LIGHT †

PRELUDE

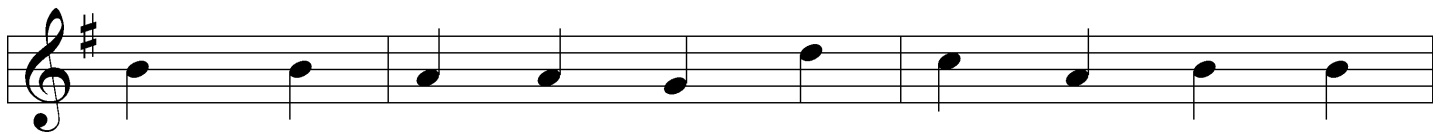
(A quiet time for prayer and meditation)

HYMN

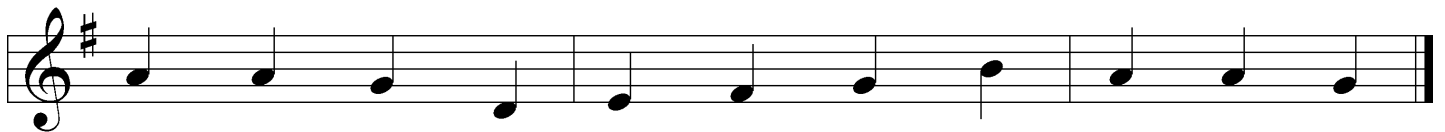
All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night **LSB 883**



1 All praise to Thee, my God, this night For all the
2 For - give me, Lord, for Thy dear Son, The ill that
3 Teach me to live that I may dread The grave as
4 Oh, may my soul in Thee re - pose, And may sweet



bless - ings of the light. Keep me, O keep me,
I this day have done, That with the world, my -
lit - tle as my bed. Teach me to die that
sleep mine eye - lids close, Sleep that shall me more



King of kings, Be - neath Thine own al - might - y wings.
self, and Thee, I, ere I sleep, at peace may be.
so I may Rise glo - rious at the awe - full day.
vig - 'rous make To serve my God when I a - wake!

5 When in the night I sleepless lie,
My soul with heav'nly thoughts supply;
Let no ill dreams disturb my rest,
No pow'rs of darkness me molest.

△ 6 Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host:
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

INVOCATION

P In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

OPENING SENTENCES

P Jesus Christ is the Light of the world,

C **the light no darkness can overcome.**

P Stay with us, Lord, for it is evening,

C **and the day is almost over.**

P Let Your light scatter the darkness

C **and illumine Your Church.**

PSALM *Psalm 141:1-4, 8*

P Lord, I cry out to You; make haste to me! Give ear to my voice when I cry out to You.

C **Let my prayer be set before You as incense, the lifting up of my hands as the evening sacrifice.**

P Set a guard, O Lord, over my mouth; keep watch over the door of my lips.

C **Do not incline my heart to any evil thing, to practice wicked works with men who work iniquity; and do not let me eat of their delicacies.**

P But my eyes are upon You, O God the Lord; in You I take refuge; do not leave my soul destitute.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Let the incense of our repentant prayer ascend before You, O Lord, and let Your loving kindness descend on us, that, with purified minds, we may sing Your praises with the Church on earth and the whole heavenly host and may glorify You forever.

C Amen.

PSALM *Psalm 90:1–12; antiphon: v. 17*

P And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands for us; yes, establish
the work of our hands.

**C Lord, You have been our dwelling place in all
generations.**

P Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever You had
formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to
everlasting, You are God.

**C You turn man to destruction, and say, “Return, O
children of men.”**

P For a thousand years in Your sight are like yesterday when
it is past, and like a watch in the night.

**C You carry them away like a flood; they are like a sleep.
In the morning they are like grass which grows up:**

P In the morning it flourishes and grows up; in the evening it
is cut down and withers.

**C For we have been consumed by Your anger, and by Your
wrath we are terrified.**

P You have set our iniquities before You, our secret sins in
the light of Your countenance.

**C For all our days have passed away in Your wrath; we
finish our years like a sigh.**

P The days of our lives are seventy years; and if by reason of
strength they are eighty years, yet their boast is only labor
and sorrow; for it is soon cut off, and we fly away.

**C Who knows the power of Your anger? For as the fear of
You, so is Your wrath.**

P So teach us to number our days, that we may gain a heart

of wisdom.

P And let the beauty of the Lord our God be upon us,
and establish the work of our hands for us; yes, establish
the work of our hands.

HYMN

O God, Our Help in Ages Past

LSB 733



1 O God, our help in a - ges past, Our hope for years to come,
2 Un - der the shad-ow of Thy throne Thy saints have dwelt se - cure;
3 Be - fore the hills in or - der stood Or earth re - ceived her frame,
4 A thou-sand a - ges in Thy sight Are like an eve - ning gone,



Our shel - ter from the storm - y blast, And our e - ter - nal home:
Suf - fi - cient is Thine arm a - lone, And our de - fense is sure.
From ev - er - last - ing Thou art God, To end - less years the same.
Short as the watch that ends the night Be - fore the ris - ing sun.

5 Time, like an ever-rolling stream,
Soon bears us all away;
We fly forgotten as a dream
Dies at the op'ning day.

6 O God, our help in ages past,
Our hope for years to come,
Be Thou our guard while troubles last
And our eternal home!

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OLD TESTAMENT READING *Isaiah 30:(8-14),15-17*
(In returning and rest, you shall be saved.)

15 For thus says the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel:
“In returning and rest you shall be saved; In quietness and
confidence shall be your strength.”

But you would not, 16 And you said, “No, for we will flee on horses”— Therefore you shall flee! And, “We will ride on swift horses”— Therefore those who pursue you shall be swift! 17 One thousand shall flee at the threat of one, At the threat of five you shall flee, Till you are left as a pole on top of a mountain And as a banner on a hill.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE *Romans 8:31b–39*

(Nothing can separate us from God’s love.)

If God is for us, who can be against us? 32 He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? 33 Who shall bring a charge against God’s elect? It is God who justifies. 34 Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. 35 Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? 36 As it is written:

“For Your sake we are killed all day long;

We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter.”

37 Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. 38 For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, 39 nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C Thanks be to God.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 12:31-40

(Stay dressed for action. Be ready.)

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twelfth chapter.

C **Glory to You , O Lord.**

31 But seek the kingdom of God, and all these things shall be added to you. 32 “Do not fear, little flock, for it is your Father’s good pleasure to give you the kingdom. 33 Sell what you have and give alms; provide yourselves money bags which do not grow old, a treasure in the heavens that does not fail, where no thief approaches nor moth destroys. 34 For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also. 35 “Let your waist be girded and your lamps burning; 36 and you yourselves be like men who wait for their master, when he will return from the wedding, that when he comes and knocks they may open to him immediately. 37 Blessed are those servants whom the master, when he comes, will find watching. Assuredly, I say to you that he will gird himself and have them sit down to eat, and will come and serve them. 38 And if he should come in the second watch, or come in the third watch, and find them so, blessed are those servants. 39 But know this, that if the master of the house had known what hour the thief would come, he would have watched and not allowed his house to be broken into. 40 Therefore you also be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.”

P O Lord, have mercy on us.

C **Thanks be to God.**





1 Have no fear, lit - tle flock; Have no fear, lit - tle
 2 Have good cheer, lit - tle flock; Have good cheer, lit - tle
 3 Praise the Lord high a - bove; Praise the Lord high a -
 4 Thank - ful hearts raise to God; Thank - ful hearts raise to



flock, For the Fa - ther has cho - sen To
 flock, For the Fa - ther will keep you In
 bove, For He stoops down to heal you, Up -
 God, For He stays close be - side you, In



give you the King - dom; Have no fear, lit - tle flock!
 His love for - ev - er; Have good cheer, lit - tle flock!
 lift and re - store you; Praise the Lord high a - bove!
 all things works with you; Thank - ful hearts raise to God!

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SERMON “A New Year in the kingdom that Christ won for you!”
 (Luke 12:32)

OFFERING *(Please place in offering plate as you leave)*

SHARING OF THE PEACE “Peace be with you”
(Using American Sign Language)

LITANY

P Sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we enter a New Year, we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we struggle through division, we look to Christ for
 unity, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we consider our sins and failures of the past year, we look to Christ for forgiveness, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we seek to love our neighbors and enemies, we look to Christ for guidance, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we run the race set before us, we look to Christ for endurance, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we mourn those who have died in the past year, we look to Christ for comfort, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things.

P As we lay down our brokenness at the foot of the cross, we look to Christ for victory, and we sing to the Lord a new song,

C for He has done marvelous things. Amen.

P For the faithful who have gone before us and are with Christ, let us give thanks to the Lord:

C Alleluia.

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

(Silence for individual prayer may follow.)

P Rejoicing in the fellowship of the saints, let us commend ourselves, one another, and our whole life to Christ, our Lord:

C To You, O Lord.

COLLECT FOR PEACE

P O God, from whom come all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works, give tous, Your servants, that peace

which the world cannot give, that our hearts may be set to obey Your commandments and also that we, being defended from the fear of our enemies, may live in peace and quietness; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER (*Matthew 6:9-13*)

All 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.

BENEDICAMUS

P Let us bless the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

BENEDICTION

P The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve you.

C Amen.





1 Let us all with glad - some voice Praise the God of heav - en,
 2 To this vale of tears He comes, Here to serve in sad - ness,
 3 We are rich, for He was poor; Is not this a won - der?
 4 Christ, our Lord and Sav - ior dear, Be Thou ev - er near us.



Who, to bid our hearts re - jice, His own Son hath giv - en.
 That with Him in heav'n's fair homes We may reign in glad - ness.
 There - fore praise God ev - er - more Here on earth and yon - der.
 Grant us now a glad new year. A - men, Je - sus, hear us.

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“The Lord bless you
and keep you; the
Lord make his face
shine on you and
be gracious to you;
the Lord turn his
face toward you
and give you peace.”

Numbers 6:24-26
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Happy New Year

God
BLESS
IN THE
New Year

For surely I know the plans I have for you,
says the Lord, plans for your welfare
and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.

Jeremiah 29:11

