

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY
AFTER PENTECOST**

NOVEMBER 11, 2018

**IMMANUEL
LUTHERAN
CHURCH
Missouri Synod**



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***Sunday*
9:00 AM
Worship Service**

**10:30 am
Adult Bible Class
Sunday School**

**Holy Communion:
1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday**

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*“She out of her poverty put in all that
she had, her whole livelihood.”*

(Mark 12:44)

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WELCOME to IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

We wish to extend a warm welcome to all our visitors this morning. 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 the 3x5 white cards located in the pew racks in front of you.

Next week we celebrate Holy Communion. We teach that in the receiving of the Lord's Supper each person receives the real presence of the Body and Blood of Christ for the forgiveness of their sins. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod and desire to partake of Communion, please ask to speak with Pastor Weber or one of the elders prior to the service.

A Prayer Upon Entering Church - Almighty God, my heavenly Father, You graciously forgive my sins and lovingly supply all my needs. By the working of the Holy Spirit, direct my life into ways of peace with good and generous heart as I look to You for everything both material and spiritual. This I ask in the name of Jesus, Your Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

AS WE GATHER - "Blessed be the Lord God!" The words of Zechariah the priest recorded in chapter 1 of Luke's Gospel have been echoed by faithful worshipers through generations. We rejoice in the coming of Jesus, our Messiah, who shows us the tender mercy of our God. As He illuminates our steps, our Savior guides our feet into the way of peace. That peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus. With Paul, we can be sure that, in our worship and in all parts of our lives, the God of peace will be with us.

WELCOME

PRELUDE

(A quiet time for prayer and meditation in preparation for worship)

DIVINE SERVICE, SETTING ONE

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OPENING HYMN

Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing

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INVOCATION

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

C **Amen.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

P If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

C **But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

(We take a moment of silence to reflect on our sin and our need for the Savior.)

P Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

C **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
(John 20:19-23)

C **Amen.**

INTROIT *Psalm 107:1-2, 41-42; antiphon: v. 8*

P Let them thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of men!

C **Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever!**

P Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, whom He has redeemed from trouble.
He raises up the needy out of affliction and makes their families like flocks.

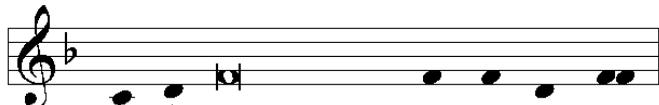
C **The upright see it and are glad, and all wickedness shuts its mouth.**

All **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.**

P Let them thank the LORD for His steadfast love, for His wondrous works to the children of men!



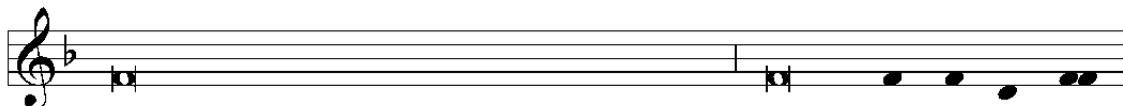
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



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



C Lord, have mer - cy.



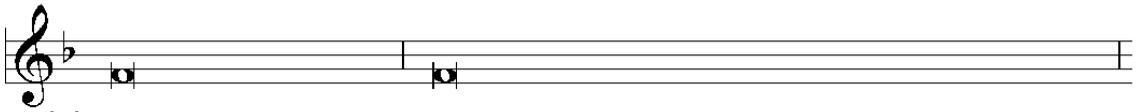
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



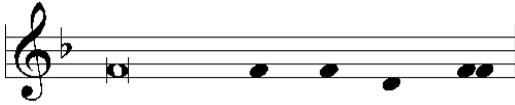
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



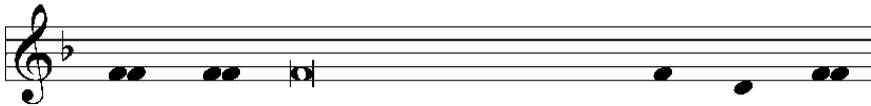
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



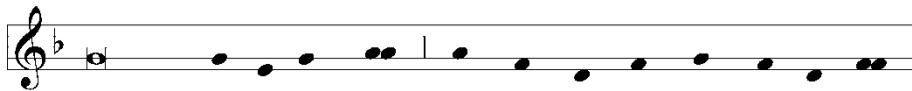
A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



A Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men.

SALUTATION

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Grant us so firmly to believe in Your Son Jesus that our faith may never be found wanting; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING *1 Kings 17:8–16*

(The prophet Elijah aids the widow of Zarephath.)

8 Then the word of the Lord came to him, saying, 9 “Arise, go to Zarephath, which belongs to Sidon, and dwell there. See, I have commanded a widow there to provide for you.” 10 So he arose and went to Zarephath. And when he came to the gate of the city, indeed a widow was there gathering sticks. And he called to her and said, “Please bring me a little water in a cup, that I may drink.” 11 And as she was going to get it, he called to her and said, “Please bring me a morsel of bread in your hand.” 12 So she said, “As the Lord your God lives, I do not have bread, only a handful of flour in a bin, and a little oil in a jar; and see, I am gathering a couple of sticks that I may go in and prepare it for myself and my son, that we may eat it, and die.” 13 And Elijah said to her, “Do not fear; go and do as you have said, but make me a small cake from it first, and bring it to me; and afterward make some for yourself and your son. 14 For thus says the Lord God of Israel: ‘The bin of flour shall not be used up, nor shall the jar of oil run dry, until the day the Lord sends rain on the earth.’ ” 15 So she went away and did according to the word of Elijah; and she and he and her household ate for many days. 16 The bin of flour was not used up, nor did the jar of oil run dry, according to the word of the Lord which He spoke by Elijah.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God**

PSALM *Psalm 146; antiphon: v. 9a*

P The Lord watches over the strangers;

C **Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord, O my soul!**

P While I live I will praise the Lord; I will sing praises to my God while I have my being.

C **Do not put your trust in princes, Nor in a son of man, in whom there is no help.**

P His spirit departs, he returns to his earth; In that very day his plans perish.

C **Happy is he who has the God of Jacob for his help, Whose hope is in the Lord his God,**

P Who made heaven and earth, The sea, and all that is in them; Who keeps truth forever,

C **Who executes justice for the oppressed, Who gives food to the hungry.**

The Lord gives freedom to the prisoners.

P The Lord opens the eyes of the blind; The Lord raises those who are bowed down;
The Lord loves the righteous.

C **The Lord watches over the strangers; He relieves the fatherless and widow; But the way of the wicked He turns upside down.**

P The Lord shall reign forever— Your God, O Zion, to all generations. Praise the Lord!

P The Lord watches over the strangers;

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

EPISTLE

Hebrews 9:24–28

(Christ will be appearing again.)

24 For Christ has not entered the holy places made with hands, which are copies of the true, but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us; 25 not that He should offer Himself often, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place every year with blood of another— 26 He then would have had to suffer often since the foundation of the world; but now, once at the end of the ages, He has appeared to put away sin by the sacrifice of Himself. 27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment, 28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation.

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

ALLELUIA AND VERSE

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

HOLY GOSPEL

Mark 12:38–44

(Jesus honors the great gift of the poor widow.)

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

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

38 Then He said to them in His teaching, “Beware of the scribes, who desire to go around in long robes, love greetings in the marketplaces, 39 the best seats in the synagogues, and the best places at feasts, 40 who devour widows’ houses, and for a pretense make long prayers. These will receive greater condemnation.” 41 Now Jesus sat opposite the treasury and saw how the people put money into the treasury. And many who were rich put in much. 42 Then

one poor widow came and threw in two mites, which make a quadrans. 43 So He called His disciples to Himself and said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that this poor widow has put in more than all those who have given to the treasury; 44 for they all put in out of their abundance, but she out of her poverty put in all that she had, her whole livelihood."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

APOSTLES CREED

All I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

HYMN OF THE DAY

We Praise You, O God

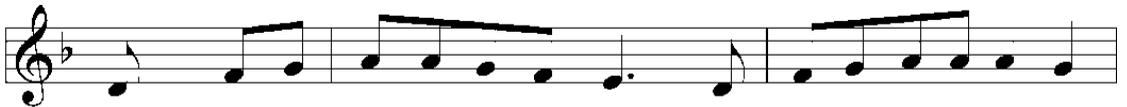
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SERMON

"The Glad Hearing and Giving of God's Saints"

(Mark 12:44)

OFFERTORY



C What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



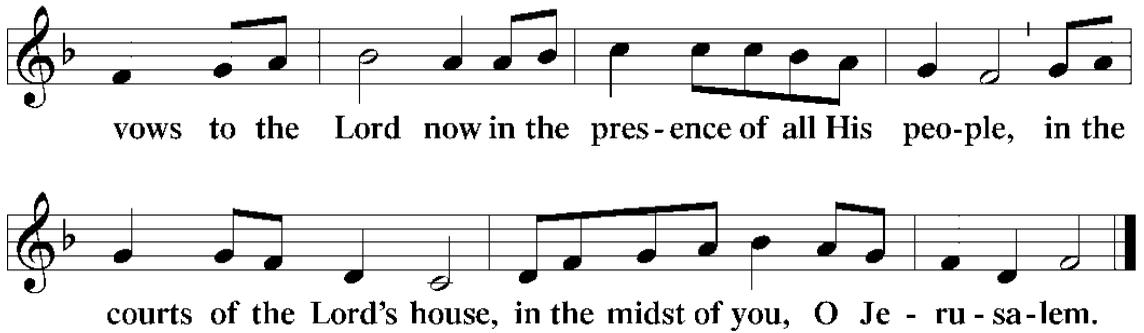
me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



OFFERING

SHARING OF THE PEACE

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
We bless You, O God, for the gift of the Church, for our family of faith, and our place of fellowship and growth. As the Church, grant that we continue to walk in the way of faithfulness, joyfully proclaiming the message of salvation and sharing the gifts You have given. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** We thank You, O God, for the world in which we live and for the human family of which we are a part. Grant that all who are in positions of leadership around the globe find ways of cooperation and that the leaders of our nation, state, and local communities seek to do that which brings blessing to all people and serves the common good. Today we remember our armed forces and the veterans of our nation, thanking You for the sacrifices they have made. Help us to walk in the way of peace as bringers of blessing. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C** **hear our prayer.**
- P** When You created the world, O God, You called it good. We know that sin has Darkened and marred much of that original good creation. Direct us in the way of wise stewardship that we leave a beneficial legacy for those who come after us until the time of the return of Christ, who will establish a new heaven and a new earth. In mercy, O Lord,
- C** **People: hear our prayer.**
- P** Lord, You know our needs and the needs of others even before we speak of them with our words or in our hearts. Graciously hear our petitions for those who are hospitalized or ill, for those who are shut in or find their lives limited in some way, for those whose work is unfulfilling or have no work at all, for those who are grieving on this day, and those who seek some special blessing, [especially . . .], that their lives know Your presence. Direct us into the way of sacrificial service that we ever be

bringers of hope. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P We remember all those no longer living on this earth, whose witness informs and strengthens us. We thank You, Lord, for all those people whose faith and faithfulness have inspired us, and we bless You for the lessons we have learned from them. Direct us to follow their example in the way that leads to light eternal. Grant that our days and our deeds bring glory to Your name for the sake of Christ, our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy through Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

C **Amen.**

HYMN

God Bless Our Native Land

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

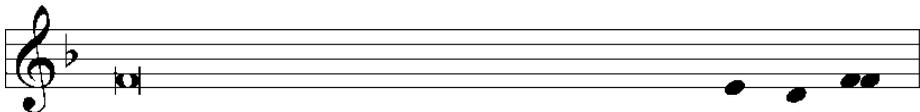
C **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is 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 Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.



[C] **A - men.**

SENDING HYMN

Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing

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Bridge of Hope Children's Choir

***Sunday, November 18, 2018
at 4:00 p.m.***

*followed by
Pizza & Salad Social*

From Pastor's Desk

PORTAL OF PRAYER for October to December are available in the Narthrex.



SUNDAY SCHOOL:

After service in the Fellowship Hall @ 10:30 a.m.

Enrich your spiritual life with the Word.

Pastor Weber will be leading the Adult Bible Study.

Children's Sunday School is available
with lots of fun activities.

Confirmation Class

Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m.

Pastor's Office

WELCOME BACK! *Winter Texans*

Praise be to God! - for your safe journey to the RGV



Mary Martha Guild

Thursday, November 15, 2018 at 4:00 p.m.

MS & HS+ YOUTH INVITED TO

Potluck Dinner

NOVEMBER 25TH, 2018 6:00-
8:00 PM

DCE BRENDA'S HOME

Bring a side dish, dessert, or drink to
share!

Contact Brenda at (408) 512-8708 for
more info!

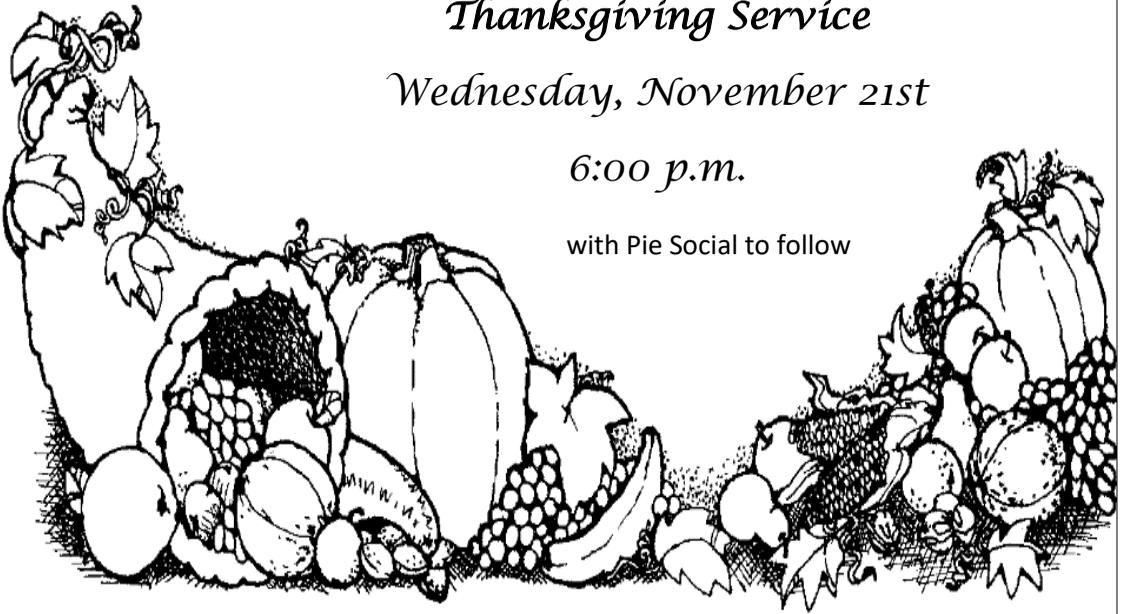


Thanksgiving Service

Wednesday, November 21st

6:00 p.m.

with Pie Social to follow



Come join Immanuel Lutheran School

Monday, November 12, 2018

9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

to their annual **POWWOW**.

Indian dancers will be demonstrating
different Indian dances.

\$ 5.00 love donation

(for dancers expenses)



The Lord Freely Feeds and Provides for Us with Everything He Has

Those who contribute “large sums” from “out of their abundance” have done very little. They cannot purchase God’s favor with their money. But the “poor widow” with her two small coins, who “out of her poverty has put in everything she had,” entrusts herself and her life to the mercy of God (Mark 12:41–44). Such faith is not disappointed, for the Lord is faithful, and He provides for His people by His grace. Thus was the poor widow of Zarephath able to feed the prophet Elijah “for many days,” as well as herself and her household, “according to the word of the Lord that he spoke by Elijah” (1 Kings 17:15–16). He feeds us, too, by His Word, not only with daily bread for this body and life, but unto the life everlasting in Christ Jesus. “By the sacrifice of himself,” by the giving of His body and life and all that He had, He has entered “into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God on our behalf” (Heb. 9:24–26). He is our great High Priest and the Temple of God, as well as the priestly food with which He feeds us.

11/4/2018

Sunday Worship	42	
Plate:		\$ 88.00
Envelopes:		\$ 2,417.00
Donations:		
Total:		\$ 2,505.00
Bible Class:	16	\$12.00

*Twenty-sixth Sunday
After Pentecost*

Readings:

(Proper 28)

Daniel 12:1–3

Psalm 16

Hebrews 10:11–25

Mark 13:1–13

Bi-Weekly Church Activity Schedule

November Sunday Servants:

Elder:	Earl Neuhaus	
Altar Guild:	Loretta Eilers & Suzanne Wehling	
Music:	Bonny Winston	
This Week	Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Ken & Bob Eilers	
Sunday:	Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am
Next Week	Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost	
Usher:	Don Vogel	
Sunday:	Holy Communion Worship Service	9:00 am
	Sunday School & Adult Bible Study	10:30 am