

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"God With Us"*



*Reformation Sunday*

Oct. 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023

*To God be glory for 145 years of His grace at Immanuel and  
73 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!*

Prelude  
Ringing of Bells  
Welcome

# Confession and Absolution

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 656

*A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*

*Stand*

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

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

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

## Service of the Word

Psalm

*Psalm 46; antiphon: v. 7*

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.

<sup>2</sup>Therefore we will not fear though the earth gives way,  
though the mountains be moved into the heart of the sea,

<sup>3</sup>though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble at its swelling.

<sup>4</sup>There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.

<sup>5</sup>**God is in the midst of her; she shall not be moved;  
God will help her when morning dawns.**

<sup>6</sup>The nations rage, the kingdoms totter;  
he utters his voice, the earth melts.

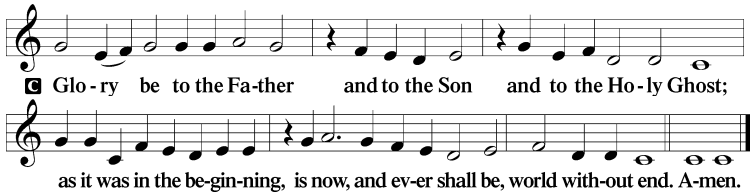
<sup>7</sup>**The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**

<sup>8</sup>Come, behold the works of the LORD,  
how he has brought desolations on the earth.

<sup>9</sup>**He makes wars cease to the end of the earth;  
he breaks the bow and shatters the spear;  
he burns the chariots with fire.**

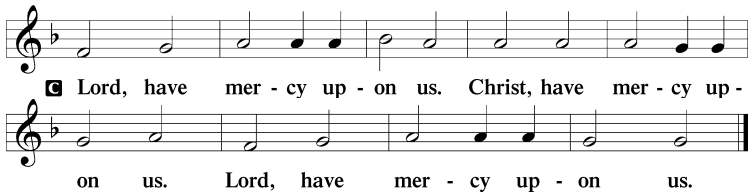
<sup>10</sup>“Be still, and know that I am God.  
I will be exalted among the nations,  
I will be exalted in the earth!”

<sup>11</sup>**The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our fortress.**



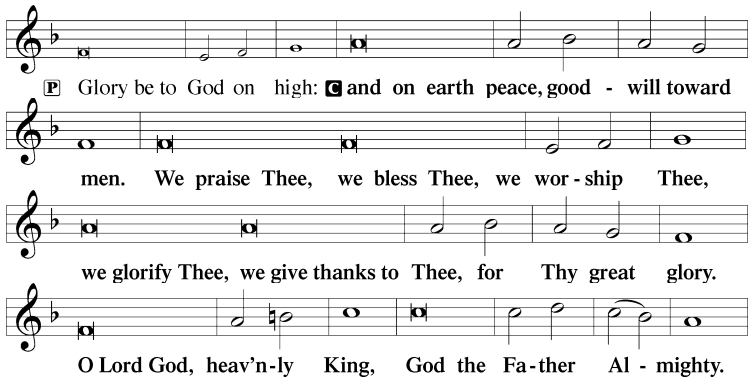
☐ Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost;  
as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Kyrie



☐ Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Gloria in Excelsis



☐ Glory be to God on high: ☐ and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n - ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.

O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;

O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up - on us.

Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re - ceive our prayer.

Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -

on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.

Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,

art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**G** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Exodus 25:8–9, 17–22*

<sup>8</sup>Let them make me a sanctuary, that I may dwell in their midst.

<sup>9</sup>Exactly as I show you concerning the pattern of the tabernacle, and of all its furniture, so you shall make it.

...

<sup>17</sup>“You shall make a mercy seat of pure gold. Two cubits and a half shall be its length, and a cubit and a half its breadth. <sup>18</sup>And you shall make two cherubim of gold; of hammered work shall you make them, on the two ends of the mercy seat. <sup>19</sup>Make one cherub on the one end, and one cherub on the other end. Of one piece with the mercy seat shall you make the cherubim on its two ends. <sup>20</sup>The cherubim shall spread out their wings above, overshadowing the mercy seat with their wings,

their faces one to another; toward the mercy seat shall the faces of the cherubim be. <sup>21</sup>And you shall put the mercy seat on the top of the ark, and in the ark you shall put the testimony that I shall give you. <sup>22</sup>There I will meet with you, and from above the mercy seat, from between the two cherubim that are on the ark of the testimony, I will speak with you about all that I will give you in commandment for the people of Israel.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*Romans 3:19–28*

<sup>19</sup>Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God. <sup>20</sup>For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

<sup>21</sup>But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— <sup>22</sup>the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: <sup>23</sup>for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup>and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup>whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God’s righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. <sup>26</sup>It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

<sup>27</sup>Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. <sup>28</sup>For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Alleluia

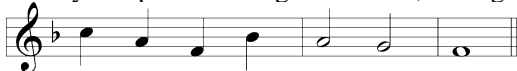


**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

## Holy Gospel

*John 8:31–36*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter



**C** Glo-ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>31</sup>So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, “If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, <sup>32</sup>and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.” <sup>33</sup>They answered him, “We are offspring of Abraham and have never been enslaved to anyone. How is it that you say, ‘You will become free’?”

<sup>34</sup>Jesus answered them, “Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. <sup>35</sup>The slave does not remain in the house forever; the son remains forever. <sup>36</sup>So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**G** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

## Apostles' Creed

**C** 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.

*Sit*

**Hymn of the Day 849**

*Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness*

**Sermon**

*Title: "I Will Meet with You"*

*Scripture: Exodus 25 and Romans 3*

**Offering**

**Offertory**



**G** Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -



new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -



way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it

from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

*Stand*

## Prayers of the Church

### Lord's Prayer

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And with thy spirit.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them up unto the Lord.**
- P** Let us give thanks unto the Lord, our God.
- C** **It is meet and right so to do.**
- P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

# The Words of Our Lord

## Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

## Agnus Dei

**C** O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

## Distribution

### Distribution Hymn #LSB 645

*Built on the Rock*

### Distribution Hymn #LSB 973

*Thy Word Is a Lamp*

*Refrain*

Thy Word is a lamp un-to my feet And a light un-to my path.

1 When I feel a - fraid, think I've lost my way,  
2 I will not for - get Your love for me, and yet My

Still You're there right be - side me. And  
heart for - ev - er is wan - der - ing.

noth - ing will I fear as long as You are near.  
Je - sus, be my guide and hold me to Your side; *And Refrain*

Please be near me to the end. \_\_\_\_\_  
I will love You to the end. \_\_\_\_\_

### Distribution Hymn #LSB 578

*Thy Strong Word*

*Stand*



## Nunc Dimittis



Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac - cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people, a light to light - en the Gen - tles and the glo - ry of Thy peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ev - er shall be, world without end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

- A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- C** **and His mercy endures forever.**
- A** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

- C** **Amen.**

## Benediction

- P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.  
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



- C** A - men, a - men, a - men.

## Hymn to Depart #LSB 655 *Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word*

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# The Lord's Week

- Sun. 9:00am Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300  
10:15am BC/SS
- Mon. 8:30am Royal Oak Bible Study
- Tues. 4:30pm-7:00pm Trick-or-Treat-Join us for hot dogs & sweets!
- Wed. 10:00am Women's Bible Study
- Sun. 9:00am Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300  
10:15am SS/BC

**As the talent show can only happen if we get participants, please let Pastor Alan know by Sunday Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> if you have a talent you wish to share** with the congregation. We are looking for all sorts of talents as they come in numerous ways. Examples may include playing instruments, singing, dancing, stand-up comedy/jokes, an interesting skill, or teaming up with some friends and create a skit/short play. Let us come and praise God for his varied grace.

**Concordia Senior Center, 710 Main Street is having a CHILI & SOUP Silent Auction \* Pie Auction \* Dine-In or Curbside Lunch**  
On October 29 from 11am-1:30pm



**BINGO & TACO NIGHT is coming November 11<sup>th</sup>.**

**Sponsored by the Board of Ed.**

A meal of tacos & pies begins at 5:30pm.

Bingo will start around 6:-6:15pm.

This is a kid friendly event!!

**Mark the date and join the fun.**

**ATTN: PIE-MAKERS!!**

Board of Ed is asking for pie donations for Bingo Night, November 11<sup>th</sup> for supper & auction.

## TRICK OR TREAT EVENT

We will again have our TRICK OR TREAT EVENT at the church for the community on **Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 4:30-7pm**. There will be decorated tables set-up from members with Treats for the children. We will also be serving hot dogs, chips, cookie, and water to those who want something to eat. If anyone cares to provide candy for the event we will have a table set-up from the congregation to put your candy on. Please pass the word around to those you know.

## Those Serving

- Musician.....Ron Baker
- Acolyte: .....Chloe Hall
- Radio and Sound.....Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
- Video.....Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
- Ushers.....Dave Gieselman, Jared Eichholz, Allan Koch, Curtis Kirchhoff
- Church Secretary.....Judy Teufel
- Pastor.....Pastor Alan Mueller





**Thanksgiving Talent Show and Worship Service!** We are looking to host a talent show this year in connection with our usual Thanksgiving Service: Wednesday evening, Nov. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Come, watch as God's people share their God-given talents (in the fellowship hall), and then join us for a brief worship service in thanksgiving to God (sanctuary). Talent show snacks hosted by Board of Missions.



**SPLHS is looking for host families** for about 10 students for the Thanksgiving break (Nov. 18-26). People do not have to do the whole week if it doesn't entirely work. Can take one or more.

----P. Mehl

**SOS CHRISTMAS SALE/BAKE SALE:** November 3 7:00 am-5:00 pm; November 4 8:00 am-1:00 pm; at 210 Main Street, Concordia, Missouri.

#### **4<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL AUTHENTIC CHRISTKINDLESMARKT**

Concordia, Missouri will be holding its 4th annual *Saint Paul Christkindlesmarkt*, held on the campus of Saint Paul Lutheran High School on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of December. The authentic German Christmas market is held outdoors and will be open from 4pm to 8pm on Friday, 11am to 7pm on Saturday. The official opening ceremony, which includes a welcome by city officials, a processional with and introduction of the Concordia Christkind, and a performance by the Saint Paul Lutheran High School Chamber Choir, is on Friday at 6pm.

There is still time to be a vendor—if you have traditional German Christmas market food that you can make and would like to sell, consider being a vendor! For a small fee, you can have a booth and you keep 100% of your sales. If you are interested in having a booth, please visit <https://splhs.org/support/christkindlesmarkt/> to watch a video of last year's market or email the market at [christmasmarket@splhs.org](mailto:christmasmarket@splhs.org). The market offers traditional German Christmas market foods and drinks, carriage rides, live stage entertainment, handmade wares, and all things Christmas! Come join us and celebrate the season! Come share the light!



#### **From: Concordia Seminary's Adopt-a-Student Program**

Thank you for your commitment to serve as an Adopt-A-Student sponsor for the 2023-24 academic year. Your support is a wonderful blessing---affording the cost of their education is often mentioned by students as the greatest obstacle to coming to the Seminary. Here is contact information for your seminarian for this academic year: **Mr. Tyler Linneman**, Campus Post Office Box, 801 Seminary PL., Clayton, MO 63105-3196 [linnemant@csleu.edu](mailto:linnemant@csleu.edu).

Thank you again for your partnership in Concordia Seminary's mission. You are making a wonderful difference in the life of your seminarian today and you are making an eternal difference in the kingdom of God for years to come.

God's richest blessings!----Vicki J. Biggs, Chief Communications Officer

# PRAYER

**Members of Immanuel:** Randy Brandt, Cora Lee Fuchs, Louise Harms

**Family and Friends of Immanuel:** Cindy Bernard, Michelle Boland, Gloria Burrow, Bennet Ging (son of Michael & Autumnn Ging), Retta Hamilton, Diane Heermann, Linder Hoffman, Jacob Neel, Barbara Pallister, Gary Rapp, Tracy Schultz, Nicole Scott (our cleaning lady), Dana Sleeper, Vernon Sylvester, Jeff Vogt, and Debbie Wulser.

**Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents:** Dolores Fischer, Louise Harms, & Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH) Dorothy Krause (The Villa)  
Thelma Nienhueser (The Living Center)

**Mission Workers:** Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand), Jim & Claudia Dahlke (Mission of Christ Network), those serving POBLO.

**Military:** Jeffrey Abel, Owen Dobbins, and MaKenna Eckhoff

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**The Marshall Philharmonic Orchestra** will proudly “march on” into its 7<sup>th</sup> decade on **Sunday, October 29**, featuring woodwind artists, Kimberly Foley and Steve Litwiller. This admission-free concert will begin at **2:30 p.m.** in the **Harold L. Lickey Auditorium of Bueker Middle School**. The concert will open with “Crown Imperial”, a coronation march, by Sir William Walton and will also include works by Mendelssohn, Bizet, Mozart, and selections from the beloved musical, “Les Misérables”. Marshall has the distinction of being one of the smallest towns nationwide with a full symphony orchestra. Show your community pride and join us for another wonderful season!

Whether you are a lifelong member or visiting for the first time we are honored to have you here this morning. Please feel free to contact the office regarding questions of membership or of a spiritual or personal matter. *You may contact the office at: 660-335-4141.*

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