

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

HAPPY  
THANKSGIVING



**November 22, 2023**

Prelude  
Ringing of Bells  
Welcome

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 797 vv. 1,3-5

*Praise the Almighty*

*Stand*

**Opening Versicles**

**L** This is the day which the Lord has made;

**C** **let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
**the name of the Lord is to be praised.**

Oh, give thanks to the Lord for he is good.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the God of gods.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

Give thanks to the Lord of lords.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

He snatched us away from our foes.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

He gives food to all living things.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

To the God of heaven give thanks.

**For his steadfast love endures forever.**

In all things, we give You thanks and join with creation's song,

**Great is the Lord and most worthy to be praised!**

**Doxology #LSB 805**

*Sit*

**Confession and Absolution**

Gracious Creator,

**You have given us so much. But too often we take Your gifts for granted, or we take them as things to which we are entitled. You have called us to live in caring community and to share Your gifts with those around us. But too often we have failed to use your gifts rightly. For all the times when we mistreat and misuse Your gifts, for all the times we assume that we get what we have by ourselves, forgive us and lead us back to the path of wisdom.**

*...time of silent prayer...*

God is a gracious giver. God is gracious in forgiveness. He has given even His Own Son to die for us so that we may receive mercy. We are a forgiven people, washed in the blood of Christ, and clothed in His righteousness!

**Thanks be to God! Amen.**

## Readings from God's Word

### Psalm of Thanksgiving

*Psalm 100*

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth!

<sup>2</sup> Serve the LORD with gladness!

Come into his presence with singing!

<sup>3</sup> Know that the LORD, he is God!

It is he who made us, and we are his;  
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

<sup>4</sup> Enter his gates with thanksgiving,  
and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him; bless his name!

<sup>5</sup> For the LORD is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,  
and his faithfulness to all generations.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Epistle

*Ephesians 5:15–20*

<sup>15</sup> Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise but as wise,  
<sup>16</sup> making the best use of the time, because the days are evil.

<sup>17</sup> Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. <sup>18</sup> And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, <sup>19</sup> addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart, <sup>20</sup> giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Stand

### Gospel Reading

*Luke 17:11–19*

<sup>11</sup> On the way to Jerusalem [Jesus] was passing along between Samaria and Galilee. <sup>12</sup> And as he entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance <sup>13</sup> and lifted up their voices, saying, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” <sup>14</sup> When he saw them he said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. <sup>15</sup> Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; <sup>16</sup> and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. <sup>17</sup> Then Jesus answered, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? <sup>18</sup> Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” <sup>19</sup> And he said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”

**L** This is the Gospel of our Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## 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  $\text{✠}$  everlasting. Amen.

*Sit*

**Sermon Hymn # 803**

*Joyful, Joyful*

**Sermon**

*Title: "Always and for Everything"*

*Scripture: Ephesians 5:15-20*

**Hymn of Praise LSB #814**

*O Bless the Lord, My Soul*

**Prayers of Thanksgiving**

**(Bulletin Insert)**

**Blessing**

**L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the  $\text{✠}$  Son, and  
the Holy Spirit, bless you and preserve you.

**C** Amen.

**Departing Hymn #LSB 806**

*Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart*

## **Insert - Prayers of Thanksgiving**

For our families, friends, and pets, for our happy memories, for our favorite things, and for rest.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For joys, successes, achievements, and accomplishments.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For health, safety, work, and leisure.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For struggles, sorrows, trials, and sufferings. For all the ways we have grown up in strength and maturity.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our jobs, for those who support us, for our education, and for the chance to serve.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our gifts, talents, and abilities, for honors, for strength and energy.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our homes, for food, warmth, and shelter, for all the things that have made us happy.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For our nation, for freedom and peace, for teachers, leaders, and those who give us a good example.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the ability to say "I'm sorry," for the grace of repentance, for the forgiveness and generosity of others.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the trust others put in us, for tenderness, understanding, and compassion.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For kindness, goodness, joy and laughter, for the times we have helped others or made them happy.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For all the wonders of creation, for beauty, music, sports, and art, for new opportunities and second chances.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For renewed hope and for the providence and protection You give us.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the gift of Your Son and for His blood poured out.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For the gift of life and the promise of the life-to-come.

**We thank you, Lord.**

For these and for all Your gifts which you so freely bestow upon us.

**We thank you, Lord.**

# *O Come, O Come, Emmanuel*



## *Advent Schedule*

### of Services & Meals

Meals at 5:30

Wednesday Services at 6:30

### December 6

Meal: Tacos

Hosted by: Board of Education

Service: "Thou Wisdom from on High"

### December 13

Meal: Breakfast

Hosted by: Care Team

Service:

"Thou Lord of Might"

### December 20

Meal: Soup

Hosted by: Board of Missions

Service:

"Thou Branch of Jesse's Tree"

### December 24

### Christmas Eve Services

9:00am

"Thou Key of David"

6:00pm

Children's Christmas Program

### December 25

### Christmas Day Service

9:00am

"Thou Dayspring from on High"

