

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

*"God With Us"*



*Third Sunday after Epiphany*

January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2024

*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 Bell*  
*Welcome*

Hymn of Invocation #LSB 915

*Today Your Mercy Calls Us*

## Confession and Absolution

*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** 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.**

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

**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.

**C** Amen.

*Stand*

## Service of the Word

Psalm

<sup>17</sup>The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
**a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

<sup>1</sup>Have mercy on me, O God,  
according to your steadfast love;  
**according to your abundant mercy**  
**blot out my transgressions.**

<sup>2</sup>Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,  
**and cleanse me from my sin!**

<sup>3</sup>For I know my transgressions,  
and my sin is ever before me.

...

<sup>5</sup>**Behold, I was brought forth in iniquity,  
and in sin did my mother conceive me.**

...

<sup>10</sup>Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
**and renew a right spirit within me.**

<sup>11</sup>Cast me not away from your presence,  
**and take not your Holy Spirit from me.**

<sup>12</sup>Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
**and uphold me with a willing spirit.**

...

<sup>17</sup>The sacrifices of God are a broken spirit;  
**a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

**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.**

## Kyrie

**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, gracious Lord.



**C** A - men.

## This Is the Feast



**A** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



**C** Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,



whose blood set us free to be peo-ple of God.



Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and strength and



hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are His.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia. Sing with all the peo - ple of



God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and might be to



God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic - to-ry for our God,



for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun His reign.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal, deliver, and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Jonah 3*

<sup>1</sup>Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, <sup>2</sup>“Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” <sup>3</sup>So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. <sup>4</sup>Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” <sup>5</sup>And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them.

<sup>6</sup>The word reached the king of Nineveh, and he arose from his throne, removed his robe, covered himself with sackcloth, and sat in ashes. <sup>7</sup>And he issued a proclamation and published through Nineveh, “By the decree of the king and his nobles: Let neither man nor beast, herd nor flock, taste anything. Let them not feed or drink water, <sup>8</sup>but let man and beast be covered with sackcloth, and let them call out mightily to God. Let everyone turn from his evil way and from the violence that is in his hands. <sup>9</sup>Who knows? God may turn and relent and turn from his fierce anger, so that we may not perish.”

<sup>10</sup>When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Epistle

*1 Corinthians 7:29–31*

<sup>29</sup>This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, <sup>30</sup>and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, <sup>31</sup>and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

Stand

## 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.

## Holy Gospel

Mark 1:14-20

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



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>14</sup>After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, <sup>15</sup>and saying, “The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.”

<sup>16</sup>Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>17</sup>And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” <sup>18</sup>And immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>19</sup>And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. <sup>20</sup>And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

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



**C** Praise to You, 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 #LSB 606**

*I Lay My Sins on Jesus*

**Sermon**

*Title: Saving Faith: A Repentant Faith*

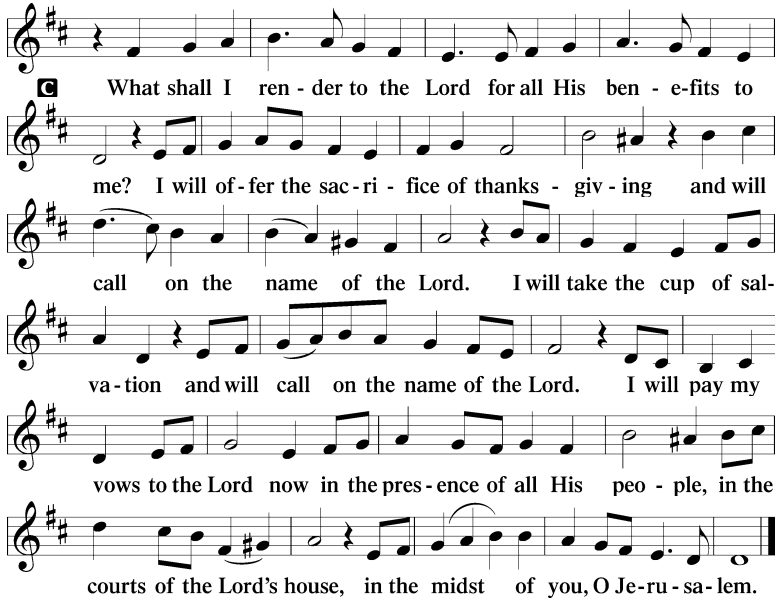
*Scripture: Mark 1:14–20*

**Prayers of the Church**

**Lord's Prayer**

**Offering**

**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  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo - ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je-ru - sa-lem.

*Stand*

## Service of the Sacrament

**Preface**

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** **We lift them to the Lord.**

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

**P** It is truly good, 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, Lord God of  
pow'r and might: Heav'n and earth are full of Your  
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.  
Bless - ed is He who comes in the name  
of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** Blessed are You, Lord of heaven and earth, for You have had mercy on those whom You created and sent Your only-begotten Son into our flesh to bear our sin and be our Savior. With repentant joy we receive the salvation accomplished for us by the all-availing sacrifice of His body and His blood on the cross.

Gathered in the name and the remembrance of Jesus, we beg You, O Lord, to forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood as He bids us do in His own testament. Gather us together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers; deliver and preserve us. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.



**The Words of Our Lord**  
**Pax Domini**

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

**C** Amen.

**Agnus Dei**

**C** Lamb of God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a - way the  
sin of the world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of  
God, You take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us peace, grant us peace.

*Sit*

**Distribution**

**Distribution Hymn #LSB 611**

**Distribution Hymn #LSB 451**

**Distribution Hymn #LSB 609**

*Chief of Sinners Though I Be  
Stricken, Smitten, and Afflicted  
Jesus Sinners Doth Receive*

*Stand*

**Thank the Lord**

**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev - 'ry-one what  
He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -  
joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re - calls His prom - is -  
es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -  
giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## Post-Communion Collect

**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 on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## Hymn to Depart #LSB 837 *vv. 1-5*

*Lift High the Cross*

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## ATTENDANCE & GIVING DECEMBER 2023

Church & Sunday School Attendance				Tithes and offerings for December 2023	
Date	Sunday Service	Adult Bible Class	Sunday School	Budget Amount Needed for Dec. 2023 \$16,274.	
Dec. 3	95	18	18	<b>Amount received for Dec.. 2023 \$22,585</b> Dec. Receipts <i>were above budget by -\$6,251.</i>	
Dec. 10	105	Voters	17		
Dec. 17	103	22	17		
Dec. 24	90	20	19		
Dec. 31	48				
Advent & Christmas Services					
Date	# Attending			Date	# Attending
Dec. 6	40			Dec. 13	32
Dec. 20	38			Dec. 24	155
Dec. 25	50				

# The Lord's Week

<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b> 10:15am	<b>Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300</b> <b>SS/Voters Meeting</b>
<b>Mon.</b>	8:30am 1:00pm	Royal Oak Bible Study Finance Board
<b>Wed.</b>	10:00am	Women's Bible Study Group
<b>Sat.</b>		<b>Fellowship Hall Reserved by the Cook Family for Birthdays</b>
<b>Sun.</b>	<b>9:00am</b> <b>10:15am</b>	<b>Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300</b> <b>SS /BC</b>

**Voters Meeting today at 10:15am. Please plan to attend.**


**Trinity Alma Men's Club is having their annual Pancake** Supper on Sunday, January 28, in the school cafeteria. Serving from 5:00 - 7:00 pm. Free will offering will go to: 1/3-SPLHS Scholarship, 1/3-UCM Campus Ministry, and 1/3-to Share the Harvest for local Food Pantries. *Following at 7:00 pm they will be hosting a Pitch Party. All are invited!*



**Thank you to everyone who helped with the Christmas gifts for Royal Oaks.** Residents were so excited and appreciative when they came to Bible study this

past Monday. Comments were made on how lovely the blankets were & how well their vests fit. They also

were grateful for the personal care items. -Shared by Judy Teufel

 **MISSOURI DISTRICT NEWS:**We are so excited for our upcoming E2 Conferences! There are five conferences, designed to be at a location where you or a group from your congregation could easily travel for the day. Presented by Missouri District staff and leaders from your area, sessions provide support and training for congregations and ministries. All (lay people and church workers) are invited, and there's no cost to attend. Event runs from 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.. Light refreshments and coffee will be provided. Visit us online to register at a location near you: <https://mo.lcms.org/e2-conference-equip-encourage/>

## Those Serving

Musician.....	Ron Baker
Acolyte: .....	Ty Higgins
Radio and Sound.....	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
Video.....	Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, Debbie Vickrey & others
Ushers.....	Lee Nienhueser, Terry Knipmeyer, Allan Koch, Chase Koch
Church Secretary.....	Judy Teufel
Pastor.....	Pastor Alan Mueller

# PRAYER

**Members of Immanuel:** Randy Brandt, Everett Brown, Cora Lee Fuchs, Ron Hinton, Carolyn Luebbert

**Family and Friends of Immanuel:** Cindy Bernard, Evelyn Bledsoe, Michelle Boland, Gloria Burrow, Brandy Clevenger, Bill Gasau, Bennet Ging (son of Michael & Autumnn Ging), Retta Hamilton, Robin Hedgpeth, Diane Heermann, Linder Hoffman, Gary Rapp, Tracy Schultz, Nicole Scott, Dana Sleeper, Vernon Sylvester, Jeff Vogt, Marty Winter, and Debbie Wulser.

**Shut-ins and Nursing Home Residents:** Dorothy Krause (The Villa)  
Dolores Fischer, & Martha Jane Vogelsmeier (LGSNH)  
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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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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*May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!*

