IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Twenty-Fifth Sunday after Pentecost

November 15, 2026

To God be glory for 148 years of His grace at Immanuel and 76 years of proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast.

Prelude ** Ringing of the Bell ** Welcome

Our policy and practice regarding Holy Communion

Hear the words of the Apostle Paul;
Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself - **1 Cor. 11:29**

Therefore, visitors are asked to please refrain from partaking of the Sacrament before speaking about this with the pastor; because we care about your spiritual well-being.
Also, because communing at this altar is a public confession that you agree with the doctrines of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and you reject all contrary teachings.

Persons not communing today are welcome to come forward during the distribution to receive an individual blessing. Please cross your arms over your chest to indicate your desire for this. -Thank you!

Hymn of Invocation *LSB #608 Lord, to You I Make Confession*

Please stand if you are able.

Confession and Absolution

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.
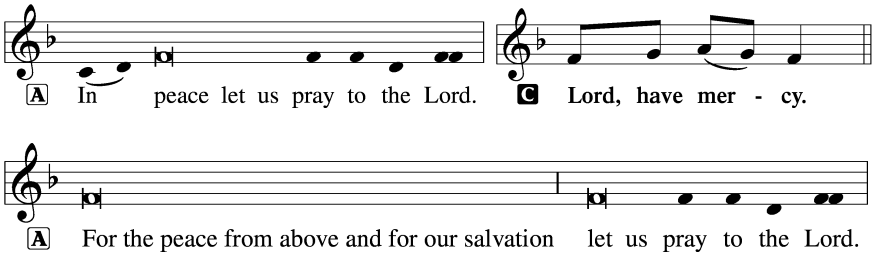
C **Amen.**

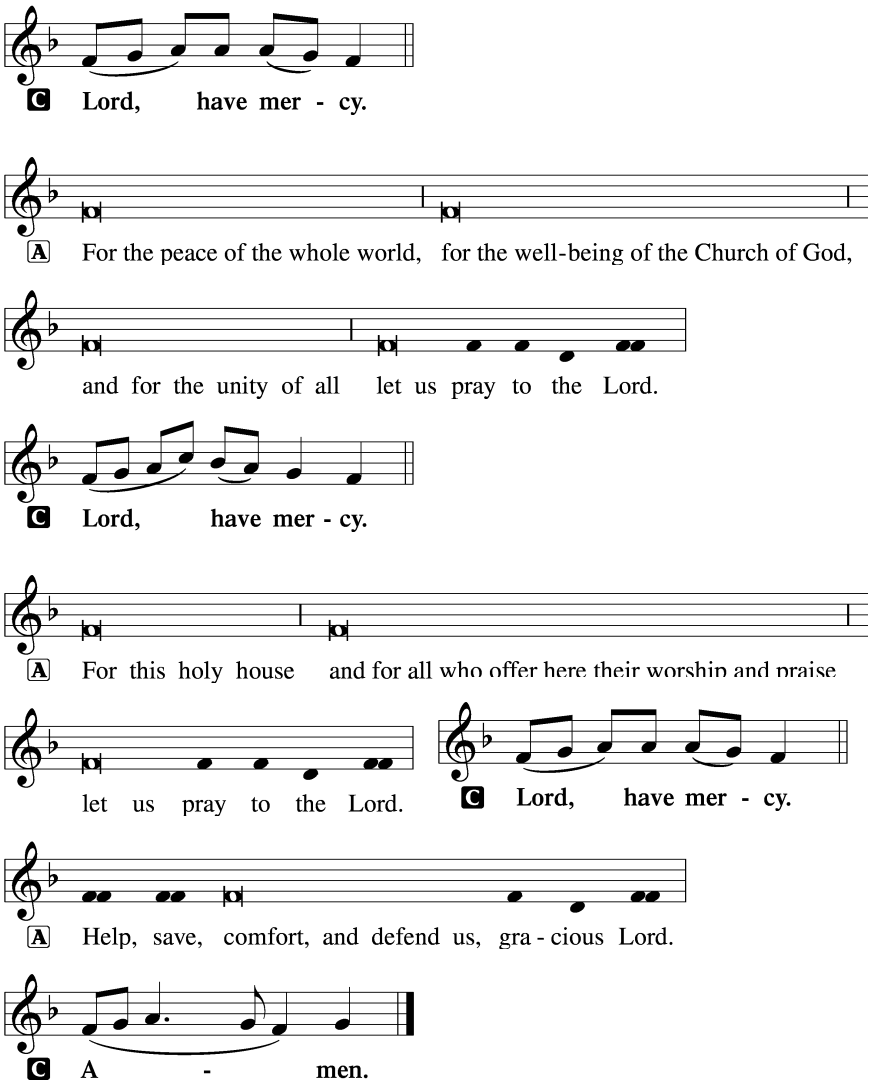
Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 143:2, 5–6, 10–11; antiphon: v. 1*

Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!
In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!
Enter not into judgment with your servant,
for no one living is righteous before you.
I remember the days of old; I meditate on all that you have done;
I ponder the work of your hands.
I stretch out my hands to you;
my soul thirsts for you like a parched land.
Teach me to do your will, for you are my God!
Let your good Spirit lead me on level ground!
For your name's sake, O LORD, preserve my life!
In your righteousness bring my soul out of trouble!
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.
Hear my prayer, O LORD; give ear to my pleas for mercy!
In your faithfulness answer me, in your righteousness!

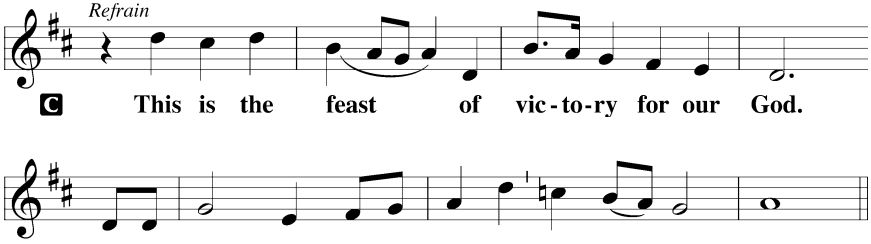
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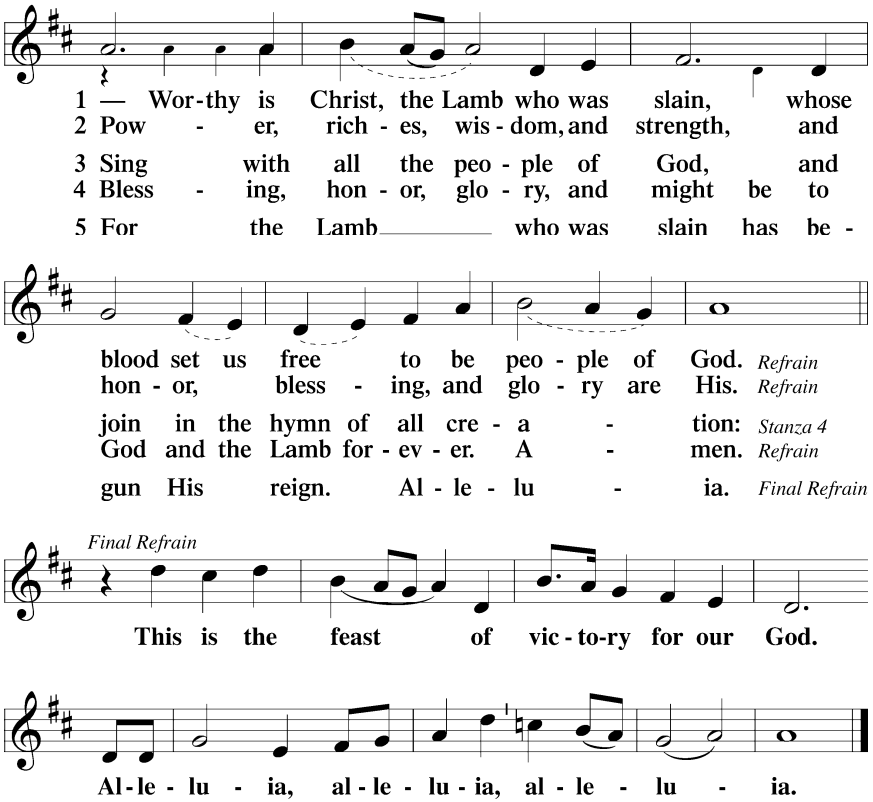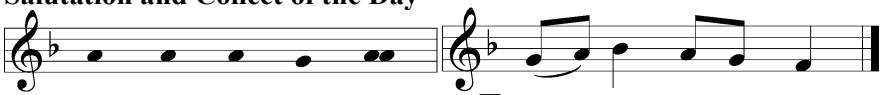




This Is the Feast

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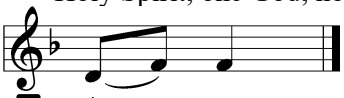




Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.
Almighty and ever-living God, You have given exceedingly great and precious promises to those who trust in You. Dispel from us the works of darkness and grant us to live in the light of Your Son, Jesus Christ, 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.



Please be seated.

Old Testament Reading *Zephaniah 1:7–16*

7 Be silent before the Lord GOD!
For the day of the LORD is near;
the LORD has prepared a sacrifice
and consecrated his guests.
8 And on the day of the LORD's sacrifice—
"I will punish the officials and the king's sons
and all who array themselves in foreign attire.
9 On that day I will punish
everyone who leaps over the threshold,
and those who fill their master's house
with violence and fraud.
10 "On that day," declares the LORD,
"a cry will be heard from the Fish Gate,
a wail from the Second Quarter,
a loud crash from the hills.
11 Wail, O inhabitants of the Mortar!
For all the traders are no more;
all who weigh out silver are cut off.
12 At that time I will search Jerusalem with lamps,
and I will punish the men
who are complacent,
those who say in their hearts,
'The LORD will not do good,
nor will he do ill.'
13 Their goods shall be plundered,
and their houses laid waste.
Though they build houses,
they shall not inhabit them;
though they plant vineyards,
they shall not drink wine from them."
14 The great day of the LORD is near,
near and hastening fast;
the sound of the day of the LORD is bitter;
the mighty man cries aloud there.
15 A day of wrath is that day,
a day of distress and anguish,
a day of ruin and devastation,
a day of darkness and gloom,
a day of clouds and thick darkness,
16 a day of trumpet blast and battle cry

against the fortified cities
and against the lofty battlements.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**

Gradual *Revelation 7:14b; Psalm 84:5*

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.
They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.
Blessèd are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.
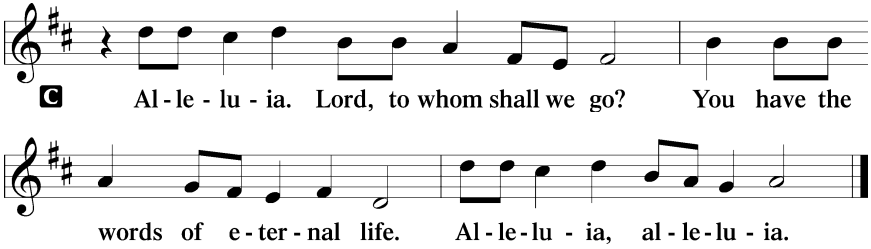
Epistle *1 Thessalonians 5:1–11*

[1]Now concerning the times and the seasons, brothers, you have no need to have anything written to you. [2]For you yourselves are fully aware that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. [3]While people are saying, "There is peace and security," then sudden destruction will come upon them as labor pains come upon a pregnant woman, and they will not escape. [4]But you are not in darkness, brothers, for that day to surprise you like a thief. [5]For you are all children of light, children of the day. We are not of the night or of the darkness. [6]So then let us not sleep, as others do, but let us keep awake and be sober. [7]For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, are drunk at night. [8]But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, having put on the breastplate of faith and love, and for a helmet the hope of salvation. [9]For God has not destined us for wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ, [10]who died for us so that whether we are awake or asleep we might live with him. [11]Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing.

A This is the Word of the Lord. **C** **Thanks be to God.**
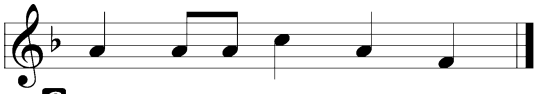
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Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*
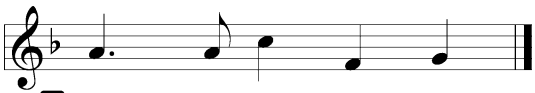


Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:14–30*

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.



[14][Jesus said:] "For it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted to them his property. [15]To one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. [16]He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them, and he made five talents more. [17]So also he who had the two talents made two talents more. [18]But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. [19]Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. [20]And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' [21]His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' [22]And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' [23]His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant. You have been faithful over a little; I will set you over much. Enter into the joy of your master.' [24]He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you scattered no seed, [25]so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' [26]But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed and gather where I scattered no seed? [27]Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. [28]So take the talent from him and give it to him who has the ten talents. [29]For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have an abundance. But from the one who has not, even what he has will be taken away. [30]And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness. In that place there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day *LSB #508 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near*

Sermon

Please stand if you are able.

Nicene Creed

C **I believe in one God,**
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth
and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead,
whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✢ of the world to come. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

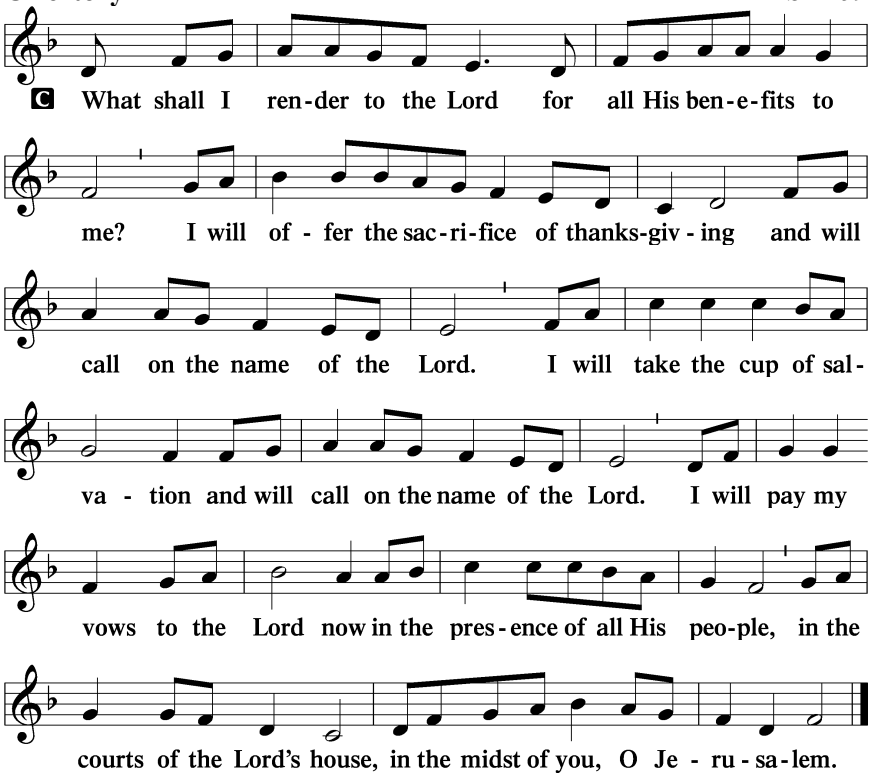
Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Please be seated.

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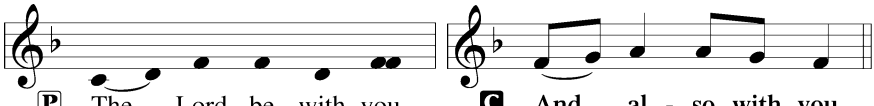
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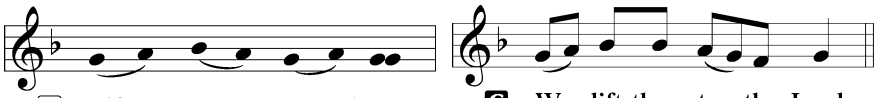
Offertory *LSB 159*
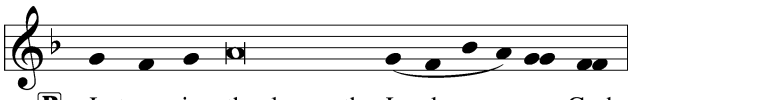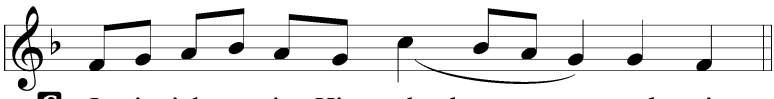


Service of the Sacrament

Preface *LSB 160*



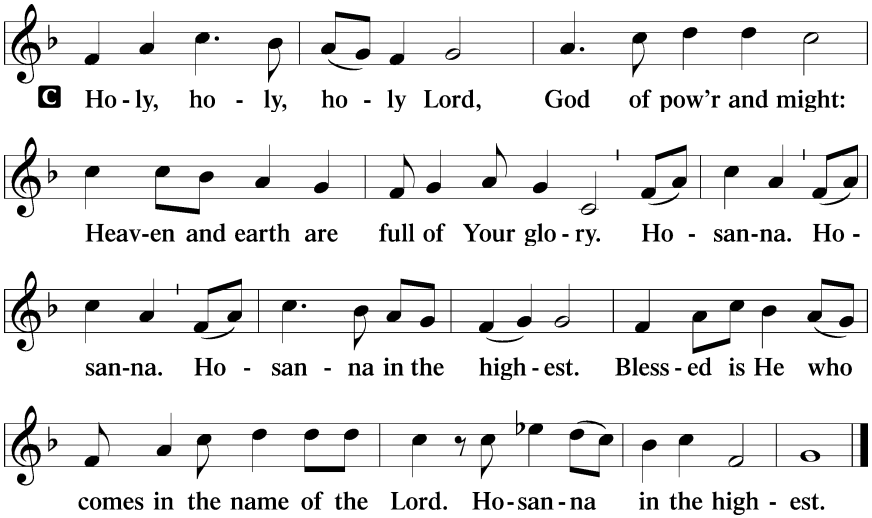






P It is truly good, right, and salutary…….. evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus *LSB 161*



Prayer of Thanksgiving *LSB 161*

P Blessed are You, Lord of heaven ……with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer *LSB 162*

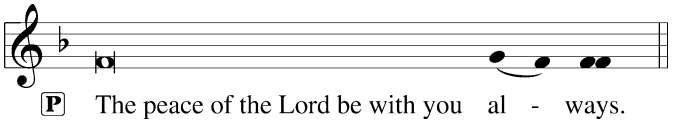
P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:
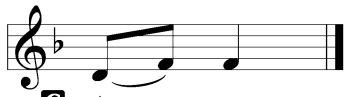
C **Our Father who art in heaven,**
hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come,
Thy will be done on earth
as it is in heaven;
give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses
as we forgive those
who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For Thine is the kingdom
and the power and the glory
forever and ever. Amen.

The Words of Our Lord

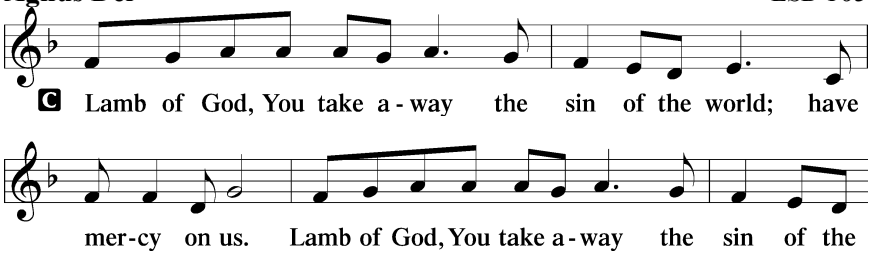
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night ……..“This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

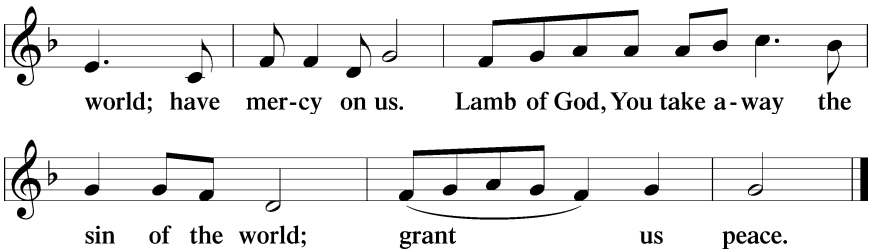
Pax Domini *LSB 163*





Agnus Dei *LSB 163*





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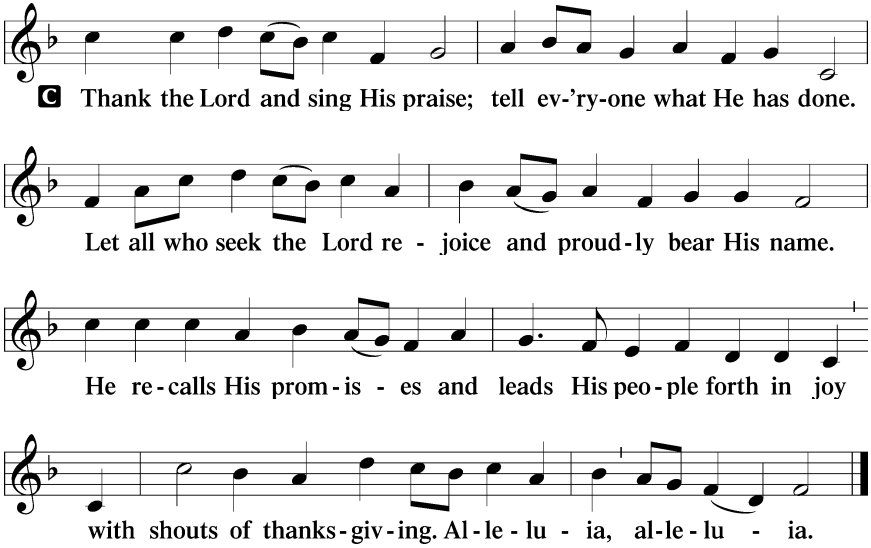
The pastor and those who assist him receive the body and blood of Christ first and then distribute them to those who come to receive, saying:

Distribution Hymn *LSB #628 Your Table I Approach*

Distribution Hymn *LSB #914 Light of Light, O Sole-Begotten*
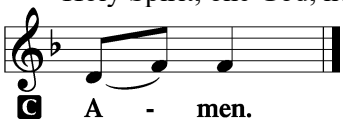
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Thank the Lord *LSB 164*

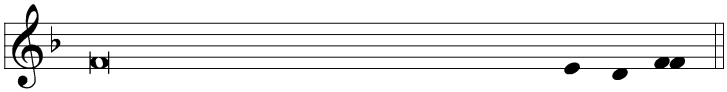


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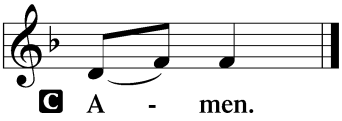
A Let us pray.
We give thanks to You, almighty God……..reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Benediction *LSB 166*



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.



Hymn to Depart *LSB #783 Take My Life and Let It Be*

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In our Prayers *(Please provide any needed updates to Erica Rennison)*

Members of Immanuel: Nolan Kirby, Lindsey Shockley, Walter Howard, the family of Jeanette Koch, the family of Carol Brandt

Family and Friends of Immanuel: Janel Boehmer**,** Margie Finkeldei, Rev. Dr. R. Lee Hagan, Gail Foster Horman, Randy and Laurie Johnson, Kelly Krause, Danny Merrick, Jeffrey Meyer, Inez Navarro, Mary Lou Ramos, Mark Tolias, Ted & Marilyn Bock, the family of Kenny Fangman, Marlene Merrick

At-home and Nursing Home Residents:
Norma Gieseke, Roy Hemme, and Walter Howard, Ryan Sims (at home)
Millie Dohrman (The Arbors Memory Care Assisted Living)
Carol Thurman (Life Care Center of Carrollton)

Mission Workers: Rev. Peter & Kristie Kolb (Thailand); Rev. David & Valerie Federwitz (LBT West Africa Regional Director), Rev. Sakarias Ingolfsson of The Lutheran Church in Norway and Iceland, as he's starting a new mission church in Reykjavík, Iceland, African pastors traveling to LHF's translation center in Nairobi for Project 72 training in "Preaching the Word."

Military & First Responders: Makenna Eckhoff**,** Drake Batye, Ethan Sims, Marc Johnson

For favorable weather for farming and safety in the fields.

Announcements

Our Church Family

Today's broadcast on KMMO was sponsored by **Allen & Sandra Boehmer** in celebration of their **55th wedding anniversary**. We are joyed to celebrate with them and pray for many more enjoyable years to come!

Directories have been completed and are in the Narthex. Please take one per family if you'd like.

Board of Education is NOT meeting in November. Please disregard these on the November calendar. The next meeting is January 24th.

The family of Jeanette Koch thanks the Ladies of the Congregation for the dinner they prepared following Jeanette's funeral services.

Poinsettia forms and envelopes are in the Narthex. Orders will be taken until **December 15th**.

Christmas Program practice will begin on **November 29th** during the Sunday School hour.

Cookie Festival -Sign-up sheet to bring 12 dozen cookies is in the Narthex. There is also a sign-up sheet for workers. Set up is **December 4th** and the Festival is **December 5th** starting at 8:30. There are 18 varieties of cookies ($18/box) and candies ($10/pound).

Heifer International – Thanks to everyone who helped us raise money! We were able to purchase 1 pair of mating cows, 4 goats and 26 flocks of chicks for a total of $2,000! Thanks for your continued support! Board of Ed and Sunday School kids!

Friends of our Church Family

Bake Sale – Concordia Senior Center **November 21st 9a – 2p**, 710 Main St.

Christmas at Heit's Point - This will be **December 5th**. They are blessed to have Rev. Dr. Cundiff, their LCMS synodical director of church planting, coming to be the speaker and Mr. Adam Fosse giving a concert on the grand piano! Plan to celebrate the year of joy God has given at the camp! For more info please call 660-668-2363.

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$8.5 million in MOScholars scholarships has been released this fall to students attending LCMS schools across Missouri! This was made possible through the state's general revenue fund and participation in tax credits. There are approximately 250 students on the list are still awaiting funding. Learn how you can participate in the MOScholars tax credit program and provide these opportunities for children in Missouri at mo.lcms.org/mo-scholars. *The deadline for participating in the current tax year is* ***Dec. 31, 2026****.*

The Lord's Week of November 15th

Sun.	**9:00 am**	**Holy Communion Service on KMMO AM 1300**
	10:00 am	Erica in office
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	11:15 am	Junior Confirmation
Mon.	4:30 pm	Erica in office
Tues.	8:30 am	Braille
Wed.	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
	3:30 pm	Erica in office
	7:00 pm	Bible Study
Thurs.	1:00 pm	Orphan Grain Train
Fri.	9:30 am	Erica in office
Sun.	**9:00 am**	**Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300**
	10:00 am	Erica in office
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	11:15 am	Junior Confirmation



Those Serving Us in Worship Today

Musician…….…….....Ron Baker
Acolyte……. . …Sena Ohrenberg
Radio and Sound.....Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies, Chad Ohrenberg
Video:……...….Marsha Tyler, Andrea Renken, Dana Melies, & others
Ushers.....Chris Brandt, Jerry Knipmeyer, Gary Anderson, JR Reid
Pastor……..…….....Pastor John Engwall

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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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