IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

"God With Us"



Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 22, 2026

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

Hymn of Invocation *LSB #510 A Multitude Comes from the East and the West*

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.**

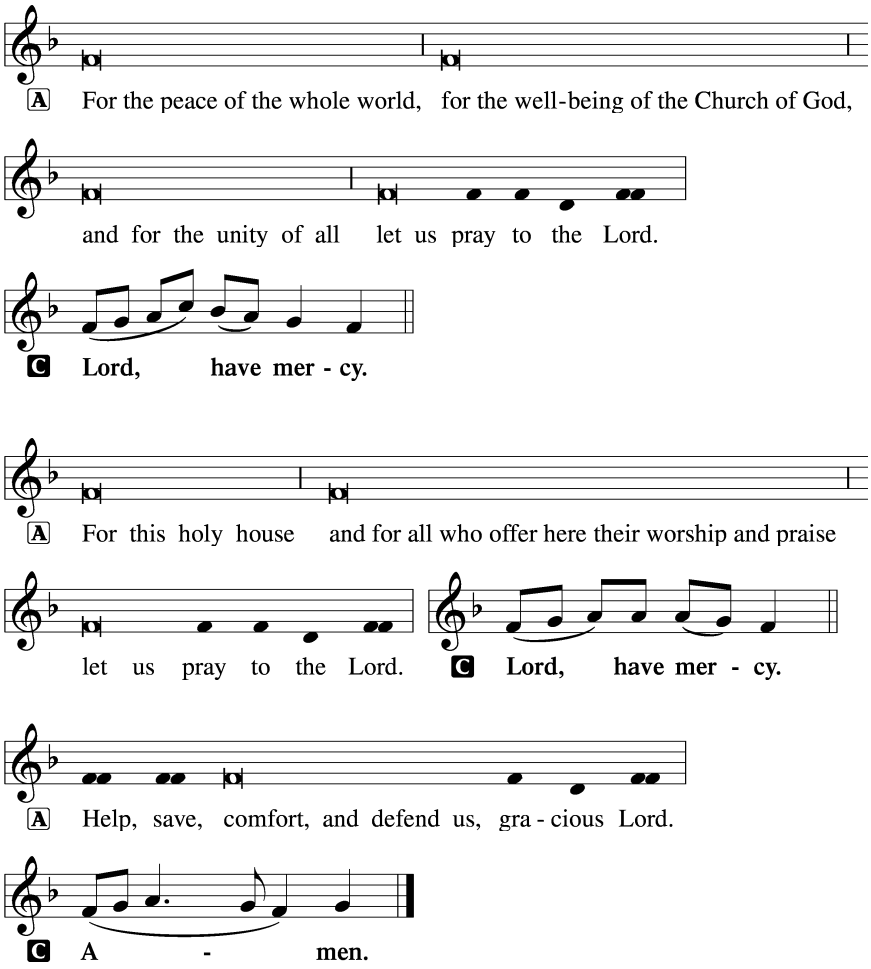
Service of the Word

Introit *Psalm 39:4–5a, 7–8, 12; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13 NIV*

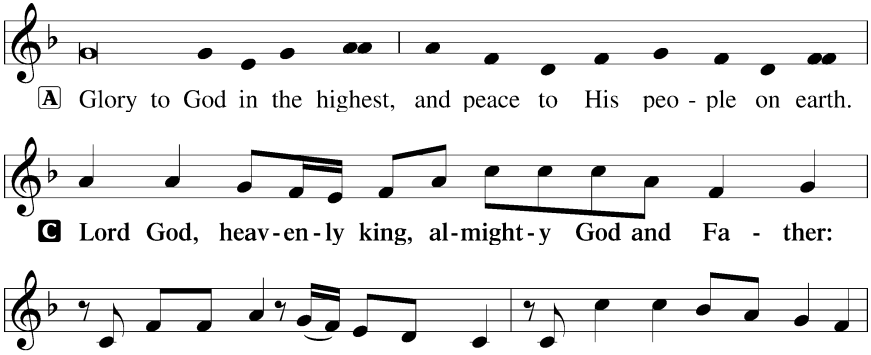
In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
the home of righteousness.
O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;
let me know how fleeting I am!
Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
and my lifetime is as nothing before you.
And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
My hope is in you.
Deliver me from all my transgressions.
Do not make me the scorn of the fool!
Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry; hold not your peace at my tears!
For I am a sojourner with you, a guest, like all my fathers.
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.
In keeping with his promise we are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
the home of righteousness.

Kyrie *LSB 152*





Gloria in Excelsis *LSB 154*















Salutation and Collect of the Day



P Let us pray.
Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be seated.

Organ Interlude *(as children come forward for the lesson)*

Children's Lesson *given by Courtney Gieselman*

Old Testament Reading *Ezekiel 34:11–16, 20–24*

11 "For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my
sheep and will seek them out. 12 As a shepherd seeks out his flock when
he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my
sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been
scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. 13 And I will bring them
out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring
them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of
Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. 14 I
will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel
shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing
land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. 15 I
myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie
down, declares the Lord GOD. 16 I will seek the lost, and I will bring back
the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak,
and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. . . .

20 "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will
judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. 21 Because you push with
side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you
have scattered them abroad, 22 I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer
be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. 23 And I will set up
over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he
shall feed them and be their shepherd. 24 And I, the LORD, will be their
God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD;
I have spoken."

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.
Blessed are those whose strength is in you,
in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

Epistle *1 Corinthians 15:20–28*

20 But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of
those who have fallen asleep. 21 For as by a man came death, by a man
has come also the resurrection of the dead. 22 For as in Adam all die, so
also in Christ shall all be made alive. 23 But each in his own order: Christ

the first fruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. [24]Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. [25]For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. [26]The last enemy to be destroyed is death. [27]For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. [28]When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

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

Please stand if you are able.

Alleluia and Verse *LSB 156*



Holy Gospel *Matthew 25:31–46*

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

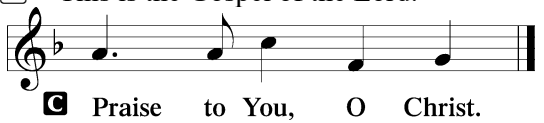


[31][Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. [32]Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. [33]And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. [34]Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. [35]For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36]I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' [37]Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? [38]And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? [39]And

when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' [40]And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

[41]"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. [42]For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, [43]I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' [44]Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' [45]Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' [46]And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day *LSB #532 The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns*

Sermon *Please stand if you are able.*

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.

Prayer of the Church

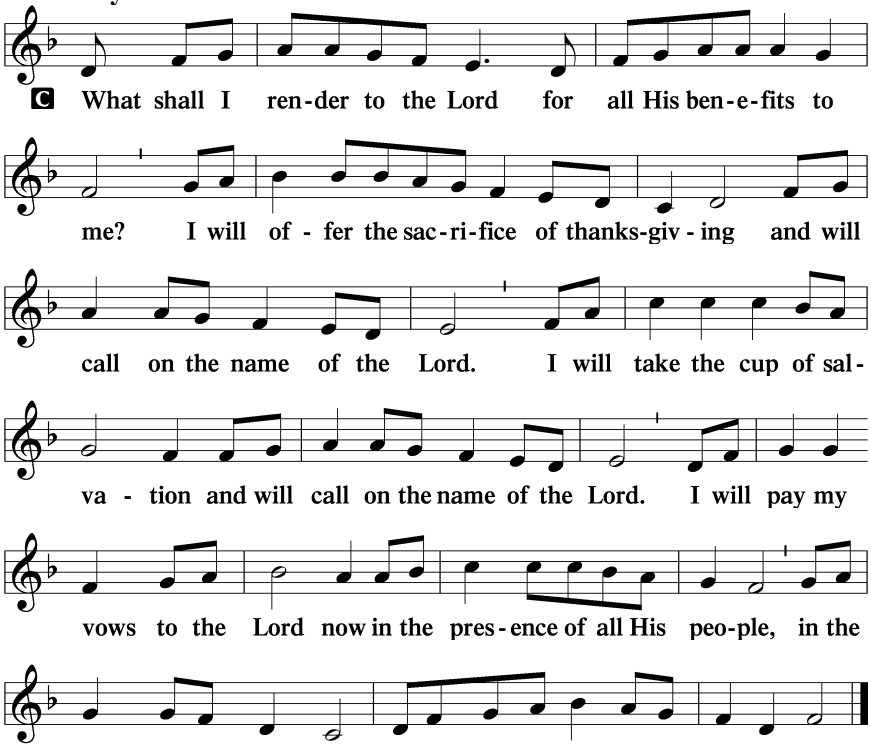
Following the prayers, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Please be seated.

Offering

Please stand if you are able.

Offertory *LSB 159*



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.

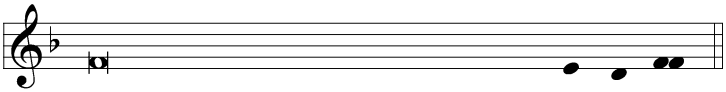
Concluding Collect

A Let us pray…….and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



C **A - men.**

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.



C **A - men.**

Hymn to Depart *LSB #711 Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us*

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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, Ted & Marilyn Bock, 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

Announcements

Our Church Family

The Saline County Holiday Project is celebrating 50 years this year providing Christmas miracles for children and families in our community. The Board of Missions voted to help with this project by **asking our congregation for donations to this project.** *Food/Misc. Items Needed: Mac & Cheese, Peanut Butter, Baking Mixes (cakes, brownies/cookies), Cornbread Mix, Canned Fruit and Vegetables, Mashed Potato Mix, Toilet Paper, and Paper Towels. Gifts of toys can be donated as well for ages 0 to 18 years old. Items must be new and in the original package.* Please help out, if you can, by donating over the next couple of weeks for this project. Thank you!

Thank you to everyone who supported our **BINGO night**. From those who made pies, donated items and came and supported us. We appreciate you! Thanks for helping make it another successful BINGO night. Looking forward to next year's bingo night! ~ Board of Ed

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).

Friends of our Church Family

YOU are invited to **Heit's Point Lutheran Ministries and Summer Camp** for our **Christmas Celebration** on **Sat, Dec. 5 from 10 am - 2 pm** to say THANK YOU! Enjoy the beautiful piano masterpieces of Adam Fosse and hear the LCMS Director of Church Planting, Rev. Dr. Quintin Cundiff, talk about life as a missionary and share about church planting! We will have a great Christmas luncheon of chicken cordon bleu, scalloped potatoes and amazing Christmas desserts! (freewill donation as well as take an offering for the end of the year budget needs). Please **RSVP by Nov. 24** to 660-668-2363 or info@heitspointlutheran.org

$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 22nd

Sun.	**9:00 am**	**Divine Service on KMMO AM 1300**
	10:15 am	BC/SS
	10:30 am	Erica in office
	11:15 am	Junior Confirmation
Mon.	10:00 am	Board of Finance mtg.
Tues.	8:30 am	Braille
	3:30 pm	Erica in office
	6:00 pm	Board of Elders
Wed.	2:30 pm	Erica in office
	7:00 pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service
Thurs.	*Thanksgiving Day*	
Sun.	*First Sunday of Advent*	
	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

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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