

*Behold, the Lord shall come and all His saints with Him;
and in that day the Light shall be great. Hallelujah!*

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH First Sunday in Advent
Church Phone: 867-5088 — December 3, 2023 – 10:15 am
Worship w/Holy Communion p. 184

Opening Prayer **Opening Hymn:** *“Savior of the Nations, Come” 332 vs. 1-4*

Invocation: pg. 184 **Introit:** *Psalm 80: 1-7*

P: Hear us, O Shepherd of Israel, You who lead Joseph like a flock; You who sit enthroned between the cherubim, shine forth before Ephraim, Benjamin and Manasseh. **C:** *Awaken Your might; come and save us.*

P: Restore us, O God; make Your face shine upon us, that we may be saved. **C:** *O Lord God Almighty, how long will Your anger smolder against the prayers of Your people?*

P: You have fed them with the bread of tears; **C:** *You have made us a source of contention to our neighbors, and our enemies mock us.*

P: Restore us, O God Almighty; **C:** *Make Your face shine upon us, that we may be saved.*

(Immediately follows Gloria Patri p. 186, The Kyrie p. 186)

Collect: Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

Hymn: (tune 358) *“O Savior, Rend the Heavens Wide” 355 vs: 1-3*

O.T. Lesson: *Isaiah 64: 1-9*

Epistle Lesson: *1 Corinthians 1: 3-9*

(Please rise) Holy Gospel: *Mark 11: 1-10*

Confession of Faith: *Nicene Creed p. 191 (please be seated)*

Sermon Hymn: *“Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates” 341 vs 1-3*

Children’s Sermon **Sermon**

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Newman, Theresa, Greg, Jacob and Rachel; Newmaster, Jacob, Laura, Brooks, Baker and Charlie Jo; and Newmaster, Mark, Krista, and Josie.

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The Pax Domini: p. 197 **Agnus Dei:** p. 198

Distribution Hymns: 637, 634, 632

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Benediction

Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor

Beth Vance, Organist

WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

THIS WEEK

TODAY: Worship w/HC 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am, Council Meeting & Luncheon after 10:15 am, SCRIP orders due

TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm

WEDNESDAY: Advent Meal 6:10 m, Advent Worship 7 pm

THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm

Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30 pm

Next SUNDAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am-Children's Christmas Service

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Nov 25: 59 LS: 47 ; Sun, Nov 26: 8 am: 54: 40; 10:15 am: 60; Thanksgiving: 49 LS: 41

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of Nicholson, Carl and Mareta; O'Brien, Christian and Caleb; and O'Neal, Zach, Brittney and Kinleigh.

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS SERVICE: December 10 in 10:15 am service. If your child is participating in the Christmas Service please let me or their Sunday School teacher know. Thank you, Ann Welte 812-459-3909

DECEMBER CALENDAR EVENTS

Mid-Week Advent Meals: December 6, 13 & 20 begin at 6:10 pm

Mid-Week Advent Worship: December 6, 13 & 20 at 7 pm

Council Luncheon & Organizational Meeting: Sunday, December 3 after 10:15 service

Children's Sunday School Christmas Program: December 10 during the 10:15 am service

Saturday, December 23 Worship Service w/HC at 5:30 pm (normal time)

Sunday, December 24 there will **ONE Service at 9:45 am** in the morning which will involve

Confirmation & High School Youth participation; and **two services** in the evening at

6:00 pm with Choir Participation and **10:00 pm** Candle- Light Service

Monday, December 25 at 9:30 am Christmas Day Service with Holy Communion

SCRIP NEWS: It's time to begin thinking of your holiday grocery shopping and gift giving needs. All SCRIP cards are not available each month, so shop early to make sure you get the cards you need. SCRIP also is a good way to give back to Immanuel as well. Current Cards available listed in the SCRIP Binder in Lounge. The December order will go in on Monday, December 4th.

Turn your orders into, Waverlyn Karch in the church office or put in the SCRIP MAILBOX in the lounge hallway.