



# Immanuel Lutheran Church

**The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod**

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The mission of Immanuel Lutheran Church is to preach Christ crucified and risen from the dead for the salvation of the world. We reflect God's love by spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ through a caring ministry of reaching, teaching, and serving our congregation and the community.

***A Warm and Sincere Welcome!*** We are excited that you have chosen to join us. We invite you to join us often. If you do not have a church home, we hope you will consider making Immanuel Lutheran your church home. Please contact the church office for more information.

## **+ The Sacrament of Holy Communion+**

As we partake of this blessed sacrament, our Lord has promised to give us His true body and blood in, with and under the bread and wine for us Christians to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and strengthening of our faith. Those who partake, firmly believing in Christ's real presence, receive these blessings. If you are a member of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, and have not communed at Immanuel before, please speak with the pastor or an elder before participating. If you are not a member of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod please speak with pastor before the service. *Thank you.*

Pentecost 24  
November 12, 2023  
Divine Service 3

Opening Hymn : 735 - Have No Fear, Little Flock

## Confession and Absolution

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son  
and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a  
true heart and confess our sins unto God our  
Father, beseeching Him in the name of our  
Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto  
the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I 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 84:1, 9–12; antiphon: v. 3*

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

**How lovely is your dwelling place,  
O LORD of hosts!**

Behold our shield, O God;

look on the face of your anointed!

**For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.**

I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.

**For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.**

No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.

**O LORD of hosts,**

**blessèd is the one who trusts in you!**

**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.**

Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young,

at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

## Kyrie

LSB 186

Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

# Gloria in Excelsis

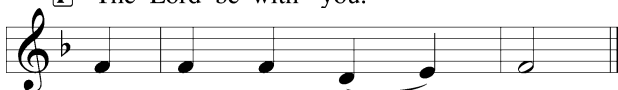
LSB 187

Glory be to God on high: and on earth peace, good - will toward  
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,  
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.  
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.  
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;  
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
that takest away the sin of the world, have mercy up-on us.  
Thou that takest away the sin of the world, re-ceive our prayer.  
Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the Father, have mercy up -  
on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou on - ly art the Lord.  
Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Ghost,  
art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



**P** Let us pray.

**P** Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



**C** A - men.

## Old Testament Reading

*Amos 5:18–24*

### Let Justice Roll Down

Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD!  
Why would you have the day of the LORD?  
It is darkness, and not light,  
as if a man fled from a lion,  
and a bear met him,  
or went into the house and leaned his hand  
against the wall,

and a serpent bit him.  
Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not  
light,  
and gloom with no brightness in it?  
“I hate, I despise your feasts,  
and I take no delight in your solemn  
assemblies.  
Even though you offer me your burnt  
offerings and grain offerings,  
I will not accept them;  
and the peace offerings of your fattened  
animals,  
I will not look upon them.  
Take away from me the noise of your songs;  
to the melody of your harps I will not  
listen.  
But let justice roll down like waters,  
and righteousness like an ever-flowing  
stream.”

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

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Epistle

*1 Thessalonians 4:13–18*

### **The Coming of the Lord**

But we do not want you to be uninformed,  
brothers, about those who are asleep, that you  
may not grieve as others do who have no hope.  
For since we believe that Jesus died and rose  
again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with  
him those who have fallen asleep. For this we  
declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we  
who are alive, who are left until the coming of the



Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. Therefore encourage one another with these words.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Alleluia

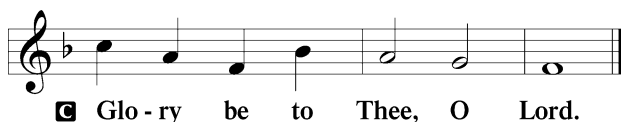
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### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 25:1–13*

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



### The Parable of the Ten Virgins

[Jesus said:] **“The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish,**

and five were wise. For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

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



### 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.**

## Children's Sermon

Sermon Hymn: 508 - The Day Is Surely Drawing Near

### Sermon

#### Offertory

LSB 192

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -  
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -  
way from Thy pres-ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir-it. A - men.

#### Offering

## Prayer of the Church

**P** Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, You are our help and deliverer. We bring to You the prayers and petitions of Your people, that You may grant us all things needful and guard us against all things harmful. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** O Lord, preserve Your people from believing that You are pleased with us because of our works. Grant that what we do in worship and prayer may proclaim salvation in Christ Jesus alone. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Lord God, You bestow favor and honor and withhold nothing from those who walk uprightly. Bless parents and those who teach children Your ways, that generations to come would love Your promises, walk in Your truth and dwell in Your house. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** **hear our prayer.**

**P** Righteous God, You despise corruption and command justice. Embolden our rulers and all in authority to enact and defend measures that preserve peace and provide justice for all. End wars throughout the world and

protect our military personell. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** Heavenly Father, show mercy to those who cry aloud as they await Your Son's coming in glory [*including \_\_\_\_\_*]. Answer them with strength and healing, comfort and hope. Make them confident in Christ, who will raise His people on the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** O Lord, Your Son will descend from heaven with a cry of command, raise those who have fallen asleep and deliver us to Your kingdom of glory. Until that day, strengthen us by His body and blood and prepare us for His coming in glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** God of our salvation, we know neither the day nor the hour of Christ's return, but we know that He has died and is risen again to open the kingdom of heaven to all believers. Until that day, preserve us in faith and guard us from temptation. Do not let us be caught unprepared for His coming. Let us live our days in loving service and joyful expectation of the life of the world to come; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God now and forever. **C** Amen.

# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

LSB 194



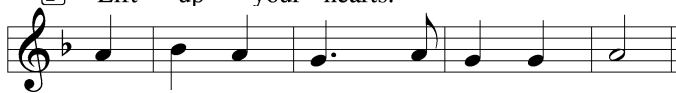
**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



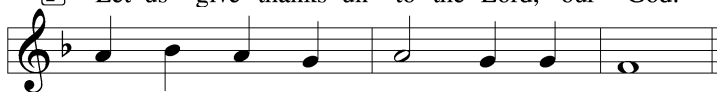
**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



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



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, 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, who on this day overcame death and the grave and by His glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. 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

LSB 195

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;  
heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,  
ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

The musical score for 'Sanctus' is written on a single staff in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It begins with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes, with some rests. The lyrics are written below the staff, aligned with the notes. The piece concludes with a double bar line.

## Lord's Prayer

LSB 196

Our Father who art in heav - en, hal - low - ed be Thy name,  
Thy king - dom come, Thy will be done on earth as it  
is in heav - en; give us this day our dai - ly bread;  
and forgive us our tres - pass - es as we forgive those who  
tres - pass a - gainst us; and lead us not in - to  
temp - ta - tion, but deliver us from e - vil.

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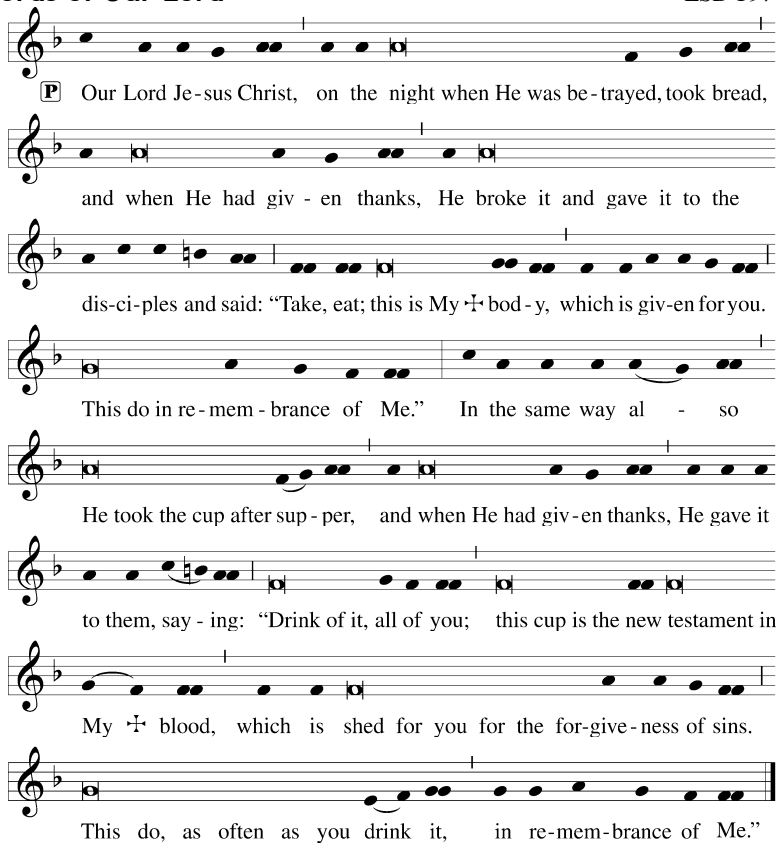




**C** For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the  
glo - ry for - ev - er and ev - er. A - men.

## The Words of Our Lord

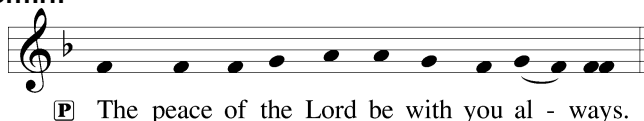
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**P** Our Lord Je-sus Christ, on the night when He was be-trayed, took bread,  
and when He had giv - en thanks, He broke it and gave it to the  
dis-ci-ples and said: "Take, eat; this is My bod - y, which is giv-en for you.  
This do in re-mem - brance of Me." In the same way al - so  
He took the cup after sup - per, and when He had giv-en thanks, He gave it  
to them, say - ing: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in  
My blood, which is shed for you for the for-give-ness of sins.  
This do, as often as you drink it, in re-mem-brance of Me."

## Pax Domini

LSB 197



**P** The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



**A** - men.

## Agnus Dei

*LSB 198*

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that  
tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.  
O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the  
world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

## Distribution

Distribution Hymn: 617 - O Lord, We Praise Thee

Distribution Hymn: 622 - Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared

Distribution Hymn: 562 - All Mankind Fell in Adam's Fall

## Nunc Dimittis

LSB 199

**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-  
cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,  
which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,  
a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy  
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and  
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

LSB 200

**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,  
**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

**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** A - men.



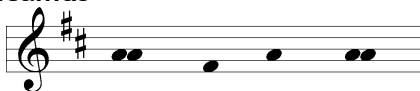
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**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

*LSB 202*



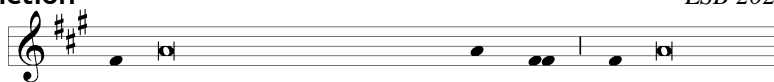
**A** Bless we the Lord.



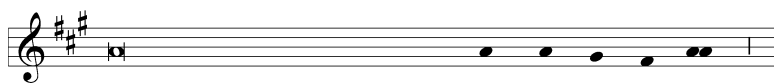
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

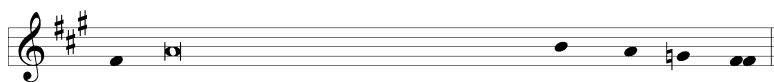
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**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

## Closing Hymn: 468 - I Am Content! My Jesus Ever Lives

## **This Week at Immanuel**

### **Sunday:**

Divine Service: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class: 10:15am – Genesis

Sunday School: 10:15 a.m.

Voter's Meeting 11:00 a.m.

### **Monday:**

Book Club 2-4p.m.

### **Tuesday:**

LWML Servant Workshop, 1-3 p.m.

LSF Bible Study: 7:00 p.m. - Revelations

### **Wednesday:**

Confirmation Class: 4:30-5:30 p.m.

### **Thursday**

Noon Bible Class: 12:00 p.m. – Book on Colossians

Leisure Lutheran Game Day: 1:00 p.m.

## **Voters Meeting**

The Voters Meeting will be held this morning at 11a.m. in the Fellowship Hall, immediately following Bible Class. The main focus of this meeting will be the election of Financial Secretary and approval of the 2024 budget.

## **Lutherans For Life**

Mary Wittmaier, LFL Rolla Chapter President:

Like the parable's bridegroom Jesus often meets us in unexpected moments (Matthew 25:10). He even sometimes hides in surprise pregnancies or terminal diagnoses in order to rescue and bless. So, we dare not ignore the poor and needy neighbors who cry out for deliverance (Psalm 70:1,5) from abortion and assisted suicide. If we do indeed love the Lord's salvation, then let us say so (Psalm 70:4)!

## **LWML/Dorcas**

Servant Workshop, Tuesday, November 14, 1-3 p.m. in the church basement

Saturday, December 2, 1-3 p.m. Christmas Tea. Join the ladies of Dorcas/LWML in a social "time out" reflecting on the joy and sharing of Christmas. Cookies, tea and coffee, games, prizes, caroling and sharing are being planned. Participants are asked to bring 2 dozen cookies—one dozen to share with the group and another to share with shut-ins and college students. "Unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given."

## **Leisure Lutherans**

Card and Game Day, every Thursday at 1:00 pm after Bible Class. Everyone is welcome to participate.

RADA /Card cabinet located in the downstairs hall contains Christian cards sold individually and by the box and several RADA kitchen tools.

Leisure Lutheran Christmas Lunch will be held Tuesday, December 5, 12:00 noon in Immanuel Fellowship Hall. Please utilize the RSVP form found in the Narthex to reserve your plate at the luncheon table.

A.B.L.E., Rolla Senior Center activity calendar, is located in the letter slots next to the card cabinet.

### **Thrivent**

Action Team Grants can be designated to any non-profit organization via fundraising or hands-on activity. Please contact Sue Kamprath to submit an Action Team Grant for the Backpack Program; Carla Roedemeier and Mary Wittmaier for a grant to purchase supplies for Pregnancy Resource Center, dresses for Orphan Grain Train or quilts for Lutheran World Relief.

**Sunday School Lesson** for today “Abomination Nation” God reveals the future of Israel to the prophet Ezekiel. The presence of the Lord departs the temple. Yet God promises to cleanse and restore his people.

### **Altar Guild**

The Altar Guild will be decorating the church Monday November 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00 p.m. All are welcome to help.

We welcome into our Church Maxwell Gessert & Dominico Defusco.



## **Members serving in the Armed Forces**

Jacob Banholzer  
Matt Battley  
Joe Duehning

Amber Dean  
Marshall Dean

## **Those Serving Today**

**Elder:** Ethan Swyres

**Communion Attendant:** Tim Rush

**Organist:** Berniece Strandberg

**Ushers:** Team 2

**Greeters Today:** Sue & Jim Perry

**Altar Guild:** Jana Wassilak

**Money Counters:** Jean Kramme & Sue Perry

**Refreshments Today:** Heidi Dennis

**Altar Flowers Today:** Given to the glory of God by Kathy Nickason in memory of her Husband Nick's Birthday.

## **The Fruits of Our Faith**

**Attendance Sunday 11/5/2023:** 157 Communion: 131

**Attendance Sunday 11/5/2023:** Bible Class 53

**Attendance Thursday 11/2/2023:** Bible Class 24

**Offerings for 11/5/2023:** \$10,708

**Refreshments College Students:** Tom Evers

# **The Family Altar**

**For Families Gathered Around God's Word  
The week of November 12<sup>th</sup> - November 18<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday:** Reflect upon the sermon

**Monday:** Amos: 5:18-24

**Tuesday:** Psalm: 70

**Wednesday:** 1 Thessalonians: 4:13-18

**Thursday:** Matthew: 25:1-13

**Friday: Small Catechism** – 1<sup>st</sup> Petition/Meaning

**Saturday:** Personal prayers for family and church

## **Prayers**

Ethan, Lyndsey, Sophie, & Emma Fite  
Jordan, Randy Krauss  
Sarah Downey  
Austin Fann  
Laura Stoll  
Jana Goddard  
Don Swetnam  
Bob Mundahl  
Dottye Wolf  
Scott Egbert  
Brandon Lowe  
Deanne Greene  
Hyrum Allen  
Bob Chreitien  
Chuck Johnson  
Tracy Krauss  
Alice & David Wuenscher

**Prayer before Communion:** Dear Savior, a Your gracious invitation I come to your table to eat and drink Your holy body and blood. Let me find favor in Your eyes to receive this holy Sacrament in faith for the salvation of my soul and to the glory of Your holy name; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

**Thanksgiving after receiving the Sacrament:** Almighty and Everlasting God, I thank and praise you for feeding me the life-giving body and blood of your beloved Son, Jesus Christ. Send Your Holy Spirit that, having with my mouth received the Holy Sacrament, I may by faith obtain and eternally enjoy Your divine grace, the forgiveness of sins, unity with Christ, and life eternal; through Jesus Christ, my Lord. Amen.

**Luther's Morning Prayer:** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen.

**Luther's Evening Prayer:** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands, I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me. Amen