

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.

Christmas 1
December 31, 2023
Divine Service 1

Confession and Absolution

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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.**

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 98:1–4; antiphon: Isaiah 52:10

The LORD has bared his holy arm before the eyes of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth shall see the salvation of our God.

Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for he has done marvelous things!

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him.

**The LORD has made known his salvation;
he has revealed his righteousness in the sight of the nations.**

He has remembered his steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel.

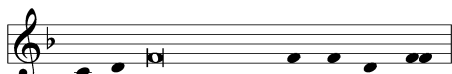
All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises!

**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

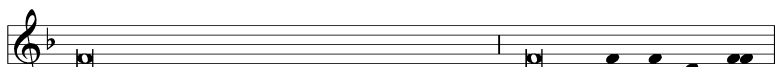
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A In peace let us pray to the Lord.



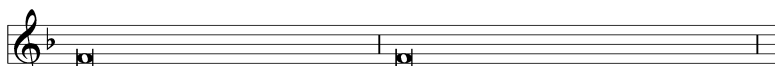
C Lord, have mer - cy.




A For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



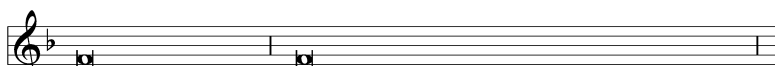
A For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



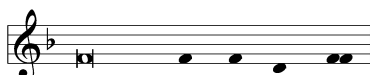
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



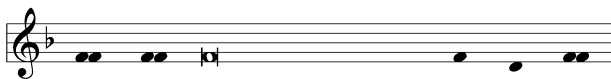
A For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



C Lord, have mer - cy.



A Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



C A - men.

This Is the Feast

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



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



1 — Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and
3 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and
4 Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and might be to
5 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God. *Refrain*
hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His. *Refrain*

join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: *Stanza 4*
God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men. *Refrain*

gun His reign. Al - le - lu - ia. *Final Refrain*



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



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

Salutation and Collect of the Day



P The Lord be with you.



C And al - so with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, our Maker and Redeemer, You wonderfully created us and in the incarnation of Your Son yet more wondrously restored our human nature. Grant that we may ever be alive in Him who made Himself to be like us; through 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

Isaiah 61:10—62:3

I will greatly rejoice in the LORD;
my soul shall exult in my God,
for he has clothed me with the garments of
salvation;
he has covered me with the robe of
righteousness,
as a bridegroom decks himself like a priest
with a beautiful headdress,
and as a bride adorns herself with her
jewels.

For as the earth brings forth its sprouts,
and as a garden causes what is sown in it
to sprout up,
so the Lord GOD will cause righteousness
and praise
to sprout up before all the nations.

For Zion's sake I will not keep silent,
and for Jerusalem's sake I will not be
quiet,
until her righteousness goes forth as
brightness,
and her salvation as a burning torch.
The nations shall see your righteousness,
and all the kings your glory,
and you shall be called by a new name
that the mouth of the LORD will give.
You shall be a crown of beauty in the hand
of the LORD,
and a royal diadem in the hand of your
God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

Galatians 4:4–7

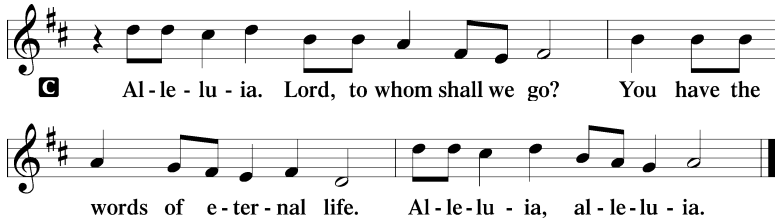
When the fullness of time had come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, “Abba! Father!” So you are no longer a slave, but a son, and if a son, then an heir through God.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Alleluia and Verse

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C Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Holy Gospel

Luke 2:22-40

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the second chapter.



C Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Jesus Presented at the Temple

When the time came for their purification according to the Law of Moses, [Mary and Joseph] brought [Jesus] up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord (as it is written in the Law of the Lord, “Every male who first opens the womb shall be called holy to the Lord”) and to offer a sacrifice according to what is said in the Law of the Lord, “a pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.” Now there was a man in Jerusalem, whose name was Simeon, and this man was righteous and devout, waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. And it had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death before he had seen the Lord’s Christ. And he came in the Spirit into the temple, and when the

parents brought in the child Jesus, to do for him according to the custom of the Law, he took him up in his arms and blessed God and said,

“Lord, now you are letting your servant depart in peace,
according to your word;
for my eyes have seen your salvation
that you have prepared in the presence of
all peoples,
a light for revelation to the Gentiles,
and for glory to your people Israel.”

And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him. And Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, “Behold, this child is appointed for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign that is opposed (and a sword will pierce through your own soul also), so that thoughts from many hearts may be revealed.”

And there was a prophetess, Anna, the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was advanced in years, having lived with her husband seven years from when she was a virgin, and then as a widow until she was eighty-four. She did not depart from the temple, worshiping with fasting and prayer night and day. And coming up at that very hour she began to give thanks to God and to speak of him to all who were waiting for the redemption of Jerusalem.

And when they had performed everything according to the Law of the Lord, they returned into Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. And

the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom. And the favor of God was upon 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.

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Sermon

Offertory

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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.

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P Eternal Lord God, in the fullness of time,
You sent forth Your Son, born of a woman,
born under the Law, to redeem us and give
us the adoption as Your sons and heirs.
Hear us, Father, as we call to You in His
name. Give us grace to rejoice in Christ's
blessed incarnation, and grant us a glad
new year. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Lead Your Church, Lord, to follow the example of blessed Simeon, that all baptized Christians would embrace the Christ Child by Word and faith, and so be ready to depart whenever they are called. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Heavenly Father, from whom all fatherhood on earth is named, bless Christian families with Your promises. Give parents diligence and delight in their work, and grant Your favor on all children, that they may grow in strength and wisdom. Bless widows, orphans and broken families also with Your mercy, and give them joy in the redemption You have won for us in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Holy God, mighty Lord, You have given power to the nations and to those who govern for the good of their people. Bless our president, Congress, governor and all our leaders, that justice may prevail and Your people would be free to live at peace with all. Lord, in Your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P Gracious Lord, receive our prayers for those who suffer from loneliness. Comfort them with the sure and certain knowledge

that You will never forsake them. Give them family and friends within the household of faith with whom they can find loving companionship. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Blessed Lord, help the sick and suffering, especially those who desire our prayers [*including* _____]. Surround them with Your love in Christ and, according to Your gracious will, heal them. Comfort those who mourn, [*especially* _____,] and fill their hearts with the certain hope of the resurrection. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Father of lasting peace, show Your mercy to those who receive the Lord's Supper this day, that they would behold their salvation in the very body and blood of Christ given for them and, with St. Simeon, be well-prepared to depart in peace according to Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Lord God, heavenly Father, we here remember the sufferings and death of Your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation. Praising His victorious resurrection from the dead, we draw strength from His ascension before You, where He ever stands for us as our own High Priest. Gather us

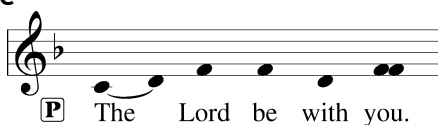
together, we pray, from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to You alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Service of the Sacrament

Preface

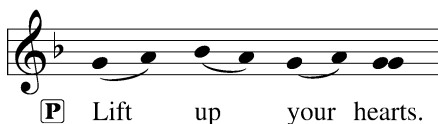
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P The Lord be with you.



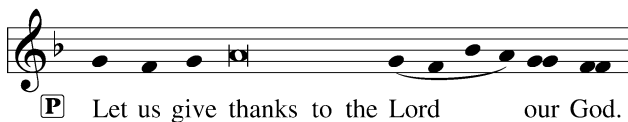
C And al - so with you.



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 in the mystery of the Word made flesh You have given us a new revelation of Your glory that, seeing You in the person of Your Son, we may know and love those things which are not seen. 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

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C Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:
 Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -
 san-na. 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

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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.

Lord's Prayer

**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.**

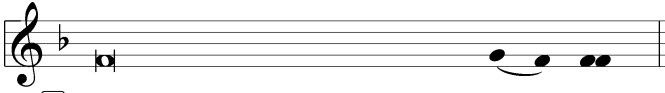
The Words of Our Lord

P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me.”

Pax Domini

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



C A - men.

Agnus Dei

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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.

Distribution

387 Joy to the World

359 Lo, How a Rose E'er Blooming

390 Let Us All with Gladsome Voice

Thank the Lord

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C Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.



Let all who seek 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

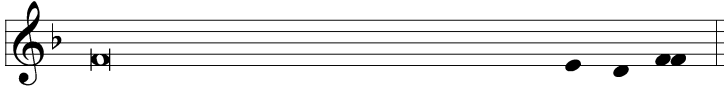
A Let us pray.

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.



Benediction

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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.



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Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran
Service Book

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This Week at Immanuel

Sunday:

Divine Service: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class 10:15 a.m. Genesis

Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

Monday:

Church office closed

Tuesday:

Wednesday:

Thursday:

Bible Class 12:00 Ephesians

Leisure Lutherans 1:00 p.m.

Friday:

Saturday:

Baby Shower

The ladies of Immanuel Lutheran Church are invited to a baby shower open house for Sophie Stagner Saturday January 13, 2024 from 2-4 p.m. in the church fellowship hall.

Sunday School An Angel Announces-Jesus' Birth foretold. Mary receives an angelic announcement telling her she will give birth to the long-awaited Savior.

Ushers

Ushers are needed for Sunday morning Please prayerfully consider helping out in this ministry.

LSF

The 2024 College refreshment sign-up sheet is up on the bulletin board for Tuesday evening bible class. Bible Study resumes January 16th Please consider helping out in this ministry.

Sunday morning bible refreshments sign-up sheet for 2024 is on the bulletin board. It would be nice to partner with someone. Please consider helping in this ministry

Lutherans For Life

Christmas—and a new year—offers an opportunity for the joys of looking forward. Simeon and Anna exemplify and inspire faith that finds strength and celebration in anticipating. The Heavenly Father who escorted us thus far will also usher us ever onward. Neighbors facing

surprise pregnancies or suffering terminal diagnoses need to know. For their sake, please do not keep silent (Psalm 62:1)!

Winter copies of “Life Date”, a magazine provided by the national Lutherans For Life organization, are available to everyone in the narthex information center.

LWML/Dorcas

Mite collection will be held next Sunday, January 7.

These donations support national and Missouri district LWML mission projects. A complete list of Missouri District mission projects can be found at www.missourilwml.org. To God be the glory.

Fall issues of LWML Quarterly are available to everyone and are located in the narthex information center. Quarterlies contain happenings of local and national LWML along with devotion and Bible study guides.

Servant Workshop will be held Tuesday, January 16, 1-3 p.m. in the church basement. Activities will include tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief and Orphan Grain Train and making pillowcase dresses for Orphan Grain Train. All supplies are provided and no experience is required.

Save the date–February 17, LWML Zone Prayer Service and Salad Luncheon. More information is forthcoming.

Leisure Lutherans Card and Game Days, every Thursday at 1:00 pm, after Bible Class in the Fellowship Hall. Everyone is welcome to participate.

There are some new RADA soups and kitchen items in the RADA/Card cabinet. The RADA/Card cabinet, located in the downstairs hall, contains Christian greeting cards sold by the card or by the box as well as RADA kitchen utensils. Profits from these sales benefit the activities of Leisure Lutherans. Additional RADA kitchen utensils, knives, sauces and recipe books may be ordered through the catalog and order forms located in the rack next to the card cabinet. Payment for cards and RADA items can be made via the deposit box on the wall to the left of the cabinet.

Leisure Lutheran lunch is scheduled for Wednesday, January 17, at noon in the church fellowship hall. Soups, rolls, cheeses and sausages will be served and plans for February through May will be discussed. Join in for lunch and Christian fellowship.

PORTALS OF PRAYER for personal and family devotions for the January through March quarter are available in the narthex! Be sure to pick up your copy for yourself or your family and spend a few minutes with our Lord each day.

Members serving in the Armed Forces

Jacob Banholzer
Matt Battley

Marshall Dean
Joe Duehning

Those Serving Today

Elder: Jim Perry

Organist: Phil Thiem

Ushers: Team 1

Greeters Today: Bill Wuenscher

Altar Guild: Martha Cox, & Sue Perry

Money Counters: Malissa Bisson, & John Wassilak

Refreshments Today: Karen Clancy

Altar Flowers Today: Given to the Glory of God by Karen Clancy in honor of Emil & Lola Mesko

The Fruits of Our Faith

Attendance Sunday 12/24/2023: 91 Communion: 78

Attendance Christmas Eve 12/24/2023: 146

Attendance 12/25/2023: 72 Communion: 63

Offering for 12/20/2023 \$5,290

Offering for 12/24/2023 \$ 3,311

Offering for Christmas Eve \$ 6,789

Offering for Christmas Day \$ 1,629

The Family Altar

For Families Gathered Around God's Word
The week of December 31st - January 6th

Sunday: Reflect upon the sermon

Monday: Isaiah 61:10-62:3

Tuesday: Psalm: 111

Wednesday: Galatians: 4: 4-7

Thursday: Luke 2:22-40

Friday: Small Catechism – Conclusion of the Lord's Prayer

Saturday: Personal prayers for family and church

Prayers

Ethan, Lyndsey, Sophie, & Emma Fite

Jordan, Randy Krauss

Judy Elsing

Jana Goddard

Dotty Wolf

Brandon Lowe

Bob Chretien

Tracy Krauss

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