



# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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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.*

Epiphany 3  
January 21, 2024  
Divine Service 5

## Confession and Absolution

### 732 All Depends on Our Possessing

**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 113:1–2, 4, 7–8; antiphon: v. 3*

From the rising of the sun to its setting,  
the name of the LORD is to be praised!

**Praise the LORD! Praise, O servants of the LORD,**

**praise the name of the LORD!**

Blessèd be the name of the LORD

from this time forth and forevermore!

**The LORD is high above all nations,  
and his glory above the heavens!**

He raises the poor from the dust

and lifts the needy from the ash heap.

**He makes them sit with princes,  
with the princes of his people.**

**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.**

## 947 All Glory Be to God on High

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also with you.**

**P** Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** **Amen.**

### Old Testament Reading

*Jonah 3:1–5, 10*

#### **Jonah Goes to Nineveh**

Then the word of the LORD came to Jonah the second time, saying, “Arise, go to Nineveh, that great city, and call out against it the message that I tell you.” So Jonah arose and went to Nineveh, according to the word of the LORD. Now Nineveh was an exceedingly great city, three days’ journey in breadth. Jonah began to go into the city, going a day’s journey. And he called out, “Yet forty days, and Nineveh shall be overthrown!” And the people of Nineveh believed God. They called for a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest of them to the least of them. . . .

When God saw what they did, how they turned from their evil way, God relented of the

disaster that he had said he would do to them, and he did not do it.

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

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

**Epistle**

*1 Corinthians 7:29–35*

This is what I mean, brothers: the appointed time has grown very short. From now on, let those who have wives live as though they had none, and those who mourn as though they were not mourning, and those who rejoice as though they were not rejoicing, and those who buy as though they had no goods, and those who deal with the world as though they had no dealings with it. For the present form of this world is passing away.

I want you to be free from anxieties. The unmarried man is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to please the Lord. But the married man is anxious about worldly things, how to please his wife, and his interests are divided. And the unmarried or betrothed woman is anxious about the things of the Lord, how to be holy in body and spirit. But the married woman is anxious about worldly things, how to please her husband. I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to promote good order and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord.

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

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

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the first chapter.

**C** **Glory to You, O Lord.**

### **Jesus Begins His Ministry**

After John was arrested, Jesus came into Galilee, proclaiming the gospel of God, and saying, “**The time is fulfilled, and the kingdom of God is at hand; repent and believe in the gospel.**”

### **Jesus Calls the First Disciples**

Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “**Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.**” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

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

**C** **Praise to You, O Christ.**

953 We All Believe in One True God

Children’s Sermon

412 The People That in Darkness Sat

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

**P** In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For faithfulness and urgency in the Church, that as this world passes away, we may be bold to proclaim the kingdom of God come near in Christ Jesus, who does not desire the death of a sinner but that all would repent and believe the Gospel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For the Church's mission, that as Christ called Peter and Andrew, James and John to follow Him and made them fishers of men, He would send faithful preachers also in our time; and for those who generously support the missionaries, seminaries, colleges and other institutions of our Church for the spread of the Gospel and the service of God's people, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For Christians in every home, that they may have constancy and contentment in their God-given stations despite every current distress as the present form of this world passes away; for the married, that God would give them comfort and faithfulness,

strengthening them also to pass on the faith to the next generation; and for the unmarried, that assured of the holiness of their place in life, they would live freed from anxiety and attend to holiness in body and spirit with undivided devotion to Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For our nation with its rulers, that God would lead our president, our governor; and all who serve for the good of this people to repentance; that God would call to repentance those who have forgotten Him; and that He would not let disaster befall us, but preserve us in peace and quietness, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all of us, that our merciful Father would turn us from every distracting anxiety and the dealings of this world that would draw our hearts away from His blessed Gospel and its end, eternal life; for confidence in the resurrection and the peace of a clean conscience by the forgiveness of sins in Jesus' name; and that God would graciously behold and help those for whom we pray, [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_,] let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

**P** For all who come to the Holy Sacrament, that the Holy Spirit would work repentance and faith in us, united in a sincere confession of His divine truth at this altar, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**P** Hear us, heavenly Father, for the sake of Christ Jesus, 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 216*

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** **And also 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, O Lord our God, king of all creation, for You have had mercy on us and given Your only-begotten Son that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life. Grant us Your Spirit, gracious

Father, that we may give heed to the testament of Your Son in true faith and, above all, firmly take to heart the words with which Christ gives to us His body and blood for our forgiveness. By Your grace, lead us to remember and give thanks for the boundless love which He manifested to us when, by pouring out His precious blood, He saved us from Your righteous wrath and from sin, death, and hell. Grant that we may receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a gift, guarantee, and pledge of His salvation. 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.**

**P** In the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, at His command, and with His own words, we receive His testament:

### The Words of Our Lord

LSB 217

**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  $\dagger$  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  $\dagger$  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

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

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

621 Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

634 The Death of Jesus Christ, Our Lord

578 Thy Strong Word

## 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. **C** Amen.

## Benedicamus

LSB 218

- A** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Benediction

- 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** **Amen.**

## 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness

### Acknowledgments

Divine Service, Setting Five 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**

### **Tuesday:**

LWML Servant workshop 1:00 p.m.

Confirmation: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

LSF Bible Class: 7:00pm-8:00pm

### **Wednesday:**

Leisure Lutherans Lunch meeting 12:00-2:00 p.m.

### **Thursday:**

Bible Class 12:00 Ephesians

Leisure Lutherans 1:00 p.m.

### **Friday:**

### **Saturday:**

**Sunday School** The Temple Testimonies- Jesus' Birth & Presentation. God fulfills his promise as Jesus is born in Bethlehem. Forty days later the family travels to Jerusalem's temple for Mary purification and Jesus' purification.

The HVAC at the Lutheran Student Center unexpectedly needs to be replaced. The bid we have accepted is just under \$20,000 by Hartley's. If you would like to make a donation specifically to this expense, please make a note of "LSC HVAC" on your donation.

### **LSF Refreshments**

**A sign-up sheet** has been posted for refreshments for the students Tuesday evening Bible study. Please consider helping in this ministry.

### **LWML Prayer Service**

Ladies of Immanuel, please prayerfully consider attending the LWML Prayer service which will be held here at Immanuel on Saturday, February 17. More info in the bulletin. Also please consider providing a salad for the luncheon. There is a sign-up sheet on the counter in the narthex.

## **Lutherans For Life**

The size of a people (as in the case of Nineveh, Jonah 3:3-4) makes no difference to their worth. Nor does the height of an individual's status (so says the Psalmist, Psalm 62:9) affect his or her sanctity. The life-giving grace of God measures according to His abundance rather than our scarcities of age, appearance, or ability. May we likewise direct gazes beyond abortion's and assisted suicide's shortsightedness (I Corinthians 7:30-31).

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

## **LWML/Dorcas**

Servant Workshop was rescheduled for this Tuesday, January 23, 1-3 p.m. due to dangerous weather conditions. Activities such as tying quilts for Lutheran World Relief and Orphan Grain Train and making pillowcase dresses for Orphan Grain Train will take place in the church basement. All supplies are provided and no experience is required. Servant Workshop will be canceled if Rolla schools are not in session.

## **Leisure Lutherans**

Leisure Lutheran lunch was rescheduled for this Wednesday, January 24, due to dangerous weather conditions. Lunch consisting of soups, rolls, cheeses and sausages will be served at noon in the fellowship hall and plans for February through May will be discussed. Join in for lunch and Christian fellowship. Lunch will be canceled if Rolla schools are not in session.

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.

### **Volunteering Opportunities**

Would you be willing to help out during a church service? Could you bake some desserts? Would you like to spearhead a project to benefit the church or one of our missions? There are many ways you can volunteer at church. Please check out the various sign-up sheets on the bulletin board in the narthex or email the church office at [ilc@ilcrolla.org](mailto:ilc@ilcrolla.org) with questions.

### **Flower Chart**

The 2024 Flower Chart is on the bulletin board in the Narthex. There are several dates still available. Please consider helping out in this ministry.

## **Keys**

If anyone has keys to the student building, particularly gym keys, and you do not have a need any longer, please turn them into the church office. Thank you.

## **LSF T-Shirts**

If you ordered a t- shirt from LSF they are in and in the church office. Please see Kelle Swyres and pick up your t- shirts.

## **Beta Sig Sunday**

February 11<sup>th</sup> is Beta Sig Sunday and LSF lunch. Anyone who can make desserts for the lunch would be greatly appreciated.

The Ladies of the Dorcas Society of Immanuel are  
hosting the 2024 Rolla Zone Prayer Service



When: Saturday, February 17, 2024

Where: Immanuel Fellowship Hall  
801 W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Rolla  
Lower level off 10<sup>th</sup> Street

**Time:**

Registration: 11:15 AM

Luncheon: 11:30 AM

Prayer Service: 12:30 PM

A mite collection will be taken. A salad luncheon will be provided.

We will have an ingathering to benefit "Sleep in Heavenly Peace".

"Sleep in Heavenly Peace" is an American nonprofit 501(c)3 organization that builds and delivers beds to children who don't have beds to sleep in. Founded in 2012, there are currently 270 local chapters including 16 in Missouri & one here in Rolla. Their motto is NO KID SLEEPS ON THE FLOOR IN OUR TOWN. Accepting NEW twin-sized sheet sets, comforters, bed-in-a-bag, pillows & blankets.

Please let Mary Wittmaier at 573-578-0652 or [mapwittmaier@gmail.com](mailto:mapwittmaier@gmail.com) or Carla Roedemeier at 573-201-1301 or [croede@outlook.com](mailto:croede@outlook.com), know how many will be attending by Monday, February 12<sup>th</sup>.

## Members serving in the Armed Forces

Jacob Banholzer  
Matt Battley

Marshall Dean  
Joe Duehning

## Those Serving Today

**Elder:** Ethan Swyres

**Organist:** Berniece Strandberg

**Greeters Today:** Nancy & Andy Anderson

**Altar Guild:** Aaron & Kacie Wassilak

**Money Counters:** David Roedemeier & Aaron Wassilak

**Refreshments Today:** Jannis Wassilak

**Refreshments College Students:** Sue Perry

**Altar Flowers Today:** Given to the Glory of God by Emily and Sean Guffey's Anniversary, and in honor of Sean's Birthday.

## The Fruits of Our Faith

**Attendance Sunday 1/14/2024:** 69 Communion: 60

**Attendance Sunday 1/14/2024:** Bible Class 34

**Attendance Thursday 1/11/2024:** 21

**Offering for 1/7/2024:** \$11,026.50

# **The Family Altar**

For Families Gathered Around God's Word  
**The week of January 21<sup>st</sup> - January 27<sup>th</sup>**

**Sunday:** Reflect upon the sermon

**Monday:** John 3: 1-5,10

**Tuesday:** Psalm: 62

**Wednesday:** 1 Corinthians 7:29-31

**Thursday:** Mark1:14-20

**Friday: Small Catechism** – How can water do such great things?

**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

Kathy & Susan Carlson

**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