

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.*

The Transfiguration
February 11, 2024
Divine Service 4

Confession and Absolution

810 O God of God, O Light of Light

P In the name of the Father and of the † Son
and of the Holy Spirit.

C **Amen.**

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O
Lord, who could stand?

C **But with You there is forgiveness;
therefore You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word,
call upon Him in prayer and praise, and
receive the body and blood of our Lord
Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar,
let us first consider our unworthiness and
confess before God and one another that we
have sinned in thought, word, and deed,
and that we cannot free ourselves from our
sinful condition. Together as His people let
us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God,
our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for
the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be
merciful to me, a sinner.

C Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. 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 99:1–5; antiphon: v. 9

Exalt the LORD our God, and worship at his holy mountain; for the LORD our God is holy!

The LORD reigns; let the peoples tremble!

He sits enthroned upon the cherubim; let the earth quake!

The LORD is great in Zion;

he is exalted over all the peoples.

Let them praise your great and awesome name!

Holy is he!

The King in his might loves justice.

You have established equity; you have executed justice and righteousness in Jacob.

Exalt the LORD our God; worship at his footstool! Holy is he!

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 *LSB 204*



C Lord, have mer - cy; Christ, have mer - cy; Lord, have mer - cy.

Gloria in Excelsis

LSB 204



C 1 To God on high be glo - ry And peace to all the earth;
2 To You, O sole - be - got - ten, The Fa - ther's Son, we pray;
3 For You a - lone are ho - ly; You on - ly are the Lord.



Good-will from God in heav - en Pro - claimed at Je - sus' birth!
O Lamb of God, our Sav - ior, You take our sins a - way.
For - ev - er and for - ev - er, Be wor - shiped and a - dored;



We praise and bless You, Fa - ther; Your ho - ly name, we sing—
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus; Re - ceive our heart - felt cry,
You with the Ho - ly Spir - it A - lone are Lord Most High,



Our thanks for Your great glo - ry, Lord God, our heav'n - ly King.
Where You in pow'r are seat - ed At God's right hand on high—
In God the Fa - ther's glo - ry. "A - men!" our glad re - ply.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace.

Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Old Testament Reading

2 Kings 2:1–12

Elijah Taken to Heaven

When the LORD was about to take Elijah up to heaven by a whirlwind, Elijah and Elisha were on their way from Gilgal. And Elijah said to Elisha, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me as far as Bethel.” But Elisha said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they went down to Bethel. And the sons of the prophets who were in Bethel came out to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he said, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

Elijah said to him, “Elisha, please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to Jericho.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself live, I will not leave you.” So they came to Jericho. The sons of the prophets who were at Jericho drew near to Elisha and said to him, “Do you know that today the LORD will take away your master from over you?” And he answered, “Yes, I know it; keep quiet.”

Then Elijah said to him, “Please stay here, for the LORD has sent me to the Jordan.” But he said, “As the LORD lives, and as you yourself

live, I will not leave you.” So the two of them went on. Fifty men of the sons of the prophets also went and stood at some distance from them, as they both were standing by the Jordan. Then Elijah took his cloak and rolled it up and struck the water, and the water was parted to the one side and to the other, till the two of them could go over on dry ground.

When they had crossed, Elijah said to Elisha, “Ask what I shall do for you, before I am taken from you.” And Elisha said, “Please let there be a double portion of your spirit on me.” And he said, “You have asked a hard thing; yet, if you see me as I am being taken from you, it shall be so for you, but if you do not see me, it shall not be so.” And as they still went on and talked, behold, chariots of fire and horses of fire separated the two of them. And Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. And Elisha saw it and he cried, “My father, my father! The chariots of Israel and its horsemen!” And he saw him no more.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Epistle

2 Corinthians 3:12–18; 4:1–6

Since we have such a hope, we are very bold, not like Moses, who would put a veil over his face so that the Israelites might not gaze at the outcome of what was being brought to an end. But their minds were hardened. For to this day, when they read the old covenant, that same veil remains unlifted, because only through Christ is

it taken away. Yes, to this day whenever Moses is read a veil lies over their hearts. But when one turns to the Lord, the veil is removed. Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. And we all, with unveiled face, beholding the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from one degree of glory to another. For this comes from the Lord who is the Spirit.

The Light of the Gospel

Therefore, having this ministry by the mercy of God, we do not lose heart. But we have renounced disgraceful, underhanded ways. We refuse to practice cunning or to tamper with God's word, but by the open statement of the truth we would commend ourselves to everyone's conscience in the sight of God. And even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled only to those who are perishing. In their case the god of this world has blinded the minds of the unbelievers, to keep them from seeing the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God. For what we proclaim is not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord, with ourselves as your servants for Jesus' sake. For God, who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ.

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel

Mark 9:2-9

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

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

The Transfiguration

After six days Jesus took with him Peter and James and John, and led them up a high mountain by themselves. And he was transfigured before them, and his clothes became radiant, intensely white, as no one on earth could bleach them. And there appeared to them Elijah with Moses, and they were talking with Jesus. And Peter said to Jesus, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here. Let us make three tents, one for you and one for Moses and one for Elijah." For he did not know what to say, for they were terrified. And a cloud overshadowed them, and a voice came out of the cloud, "This is my beloved Son; listen to him." And suddenly, looking around, they no longer saw anyone with them but Jesus only.

And as they were coming down the mountain, he charged them to tell no one what they had seen, until the Son of Man had risen from the dead.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

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.

Childrens Sermon

413 O Wondrous Type! O Vision Fair

Sermon

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who are called and ordained to
serve in Christ's stead and by His
command, that their preaching and
teaching would flow from the right
understanding that all Holy Scripture
testifies of Christ and all that He has done,
and continues to do, for our eternal
salvation, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the Lord's flock here at Immanuel Lutheran Church, that we would be granted faithfulness, humility and patience in our various vocations, striving to love God and neighbor in all that we say and do, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For families, that parents would teach the faith to their children and that the forgiveness of sins would be proclaimed in all households; and for all expectant mothers, that they and their babies would be kept safe and healthy throughout their pregnancies, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For all those who have been placed in authority over us, that they would serve with integrity and honor, having the welfare of all in mind; and for our country, that division, conflict and strife would give way to unity, peace and quietness, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who are in need, [*especially* _____,] that God would grant them relief and comfort through the promise of sharing in eternal glory with Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

C **Lord, have mercy.**

P For the baptized, that we would heed our heavenly Father's admonition to listen to His Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, as He speaks to us through His Holy Word and Sacraments; and that we would, by grace through faith, behold Him in His glory as He continues to tabernacle among us, delivering forgiveness, life and salvation through the same, let us pray to the Lord:

C Lord, have mercy.

P Lord God, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember on this day the glorious manifestation of Your Son's divinity on the Mount of Transfiguration. Teach us to listen to Jesus and ever fix our eyes on Him and His innocent suffering and death for our forgiveness. By Your grace and mercy, strengthen us to remain faithful in all circumstances of trial, temptation and persecution. Preserve us to the end, that we may die a blessed death believing in Your beloved Son with whom You are well pleased; 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 208

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

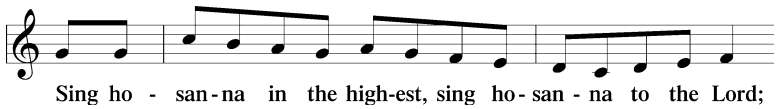
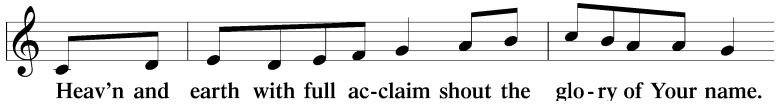
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

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, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only-begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new 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 208



Prayer of Thanksgiving

P Blessed are 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.

As the glory of Your presence once filled Your ancient temple, so in the incarnation of Your Son, Jesus Christ, You manifested the fullness of Your glory in human flesh.

We give You thanks that in His most Holy Supper You reveal Your glory to us. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood so that we may one day behold Your glory face to face.

Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:

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

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
C Amen.

Agnus Dei

LSB 210

1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;
O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,
Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

Distribution

620 Jesus Comes Today with Healing

633 At the Lamb's High Feast We Sing

416 Swiftly Pass the Clouds of Glory

Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All
part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the
glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
 For as in the be - gin - ning, Is
 to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
 now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -
 peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
 sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

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 212

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.**

This Week at Immanuel

Sunday:

Divine Service: 9:00 a.m.

Bible Class 10:15 a.m. Genesis

Sunday School 10:15 a.m.

Beta Sig Sunday & LSF Lunch 11:30 a.m.

Monday

Tuesday:

Pastor's Conference at Immanuel Rolla 9:30 a.m.

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

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

Wednesday:

Ash Wednesday Service with Communion 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Thursday:

Bible Class 12:00 Ephesians

Leisure Lutherans 1:00 p.m.

Friday:

Saturday:

LWML Salad Luncheon & Prayer Service 11:15 a.m.

Sunday School A Temple Cleansing-Jesus Clears the Temple. Merchants & money changers filled the temple in preparation for the Passover. Jesus overturns the tables & drives them out to restore the temple to its

proper purpose, to worship God.

Lutherans For Life

We proclaim not ourselves, but Jesus Christ as Lord (2 Corinthians 4:5) of body and sexuality. We proclaim not personal choice, but Jesus Christ as Lord of marriage and procreation. We proclaim not popular opinion, but Jesus Christ as Lord of hurts and healing. We proclaim not political debate, but Jesus Christ as Lord of life and death. Listen to Him who makes us beloved children of God. (Mark 9:7)

Pregnancy Resource Center Banquet for Life, Thursday, March 7, 6:30 p.m., Havener Center, Rolla, MO. RSVP 573-368-5700 or www.supportmyprc.com.

LWML/Dorcas

Servant Workshop is scheduled for Tuesday, February 20, 1-3 p.m. in the church basement. Quilts for Lutheran World Relief and Orphan Grain Train will be prepared for tying. Fabrics and sewing machines for pillowcase dresses for Orphan Grain Train are available for completion. All skill levels are encouraged to participate. Everyone is welcome to participate.

Tuesday, February 27, 1 2:00 noon, in the fellowship hall, Italian lunch sponsored by Leisure Lutherans. A sign up sheet is located on the narthex bulletin board

next to the secretary's office. Please sign up to bring your dish for the lunch and join in fellowship.

Members serving in the Armed Forces

Jacob Banholzer
Matt Battley

Marshall Dean
Joe Duehning

Those Serving Today

Elder: Bob Gorrell

Elder for Ash Wednesday 12:00 Bob Gorrell

Elder for Ash Wednesday 6:00 p.m. Jim Perry

Organist: Phil Thiem

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Greeters Today: Sue & Jim Perry

Ushers Today: Team 3

Altar Guild: Kelle Swyres

Money Counters: Don Langhoff & Terry Theiss

Refreshments Today: Tracy Rosenow & Karen Clancy

Refreshments College Students: Rachelle Gorrell

Altar Flowers Today: Given to the Glory of God by Martha & J.D. Cox.

The Fruits of Our Faith

Attendance Sunday 2/4/2024: 112 Communion: 94

Attendance Sunday 2/4/2024: Bible Class 53

Attendance Thursday 2/1/2024: No Class

Offering for 2/4/2024: \$7,033

Lent Service Schedule

**February 14: Ash Wednesday with Communion
12:00 & 6:00 p.m.**

Midweek Lent Services

February 21st 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

February 28th 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

March 6th 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

March 13th 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

March 20th 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

Holy Week

March 24th Palm Sunday 9:00 a.m.

March 28th Maundy Thursday 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

March 29th Good Friday 12:00 & 6:00 p.m.

March 31st Easter Service 9:00 a.m.

Prayers

Tracy Krauss Family
Ethan, Lynsey, Sophie, & Emma Fite
Jordan, Randy Krauss
Judy Elsing
Jana Goddard
Dotty Wolf
Brandon Lowe
Bob Chreitien
Kathy & Susan Carlson
Jean & Ben McWilliams

The Family Altar

For Families Gathered Around God's Word
The week of February 11th – February 17th

Sunday: Reflect upon the sermon

Monday: 2 Kings 2:1-12

Tuesday: Psalm: 50

Wednesday: 2 Corinthians 3:12,13/4:1-6

Thursday: Mark 9:2-9

Friday: Small Catechism – What is The Office of the Keys? Where is this Written?

Saturday: Personal prayers for family and church

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