

Welcome to Immanuel

Notes for your time in worship...

We are glad that you have chosen to be in the Lord's house today and pray that God will bless you in this time of worship. The words, "Stand," and "Sit," are for those who are able. If you are a guest, we ask that you please complete a Welcome Card, found in the card rack on the back of the pews, and place it in the offering plate.

We are delighted that you're here and hope to see you again!

Preparing for the Lord's Supper

All who receive the Lord's Supper at this church—members and guests alike—are encouraged to use the following questions as a guide to self-examination in preparation for Communion:

- † "Am I a baptized child of the Heavenly Father?"
 - Acts 2:38-39. Peter said to them, "Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you and for your children and for all who are far off, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to Himself."
- † "Have I confessed and repented of my sins?"
 Matthew 3:2. "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."
- † "Do I trust that Jesus Christ alone is my Savior from sin?"

 1 John 1:7. But if we walk in the light, as He is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.
- † "Do I believe that in this Blessed Sacrament (Holy Communion) I am receiving the actual body and blood of Christ, under the bread and wine, for the forgiveness of my sins?"

Matthew 26:26-28. Now as they were eating, Jesus took bread, and after blessing it broke it and gave it to the disciples, and said, "Take, eat; this is My body." And He took a cup, and when He had given thanks He gave it to them, saying, "Drink of it, all of you, for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."

† "Do I intend, with the Lord's help, to amend my sinful life?"

Galatians 5:22-25. But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. And those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live by the Spirit, let us also keep in step with the Spirit.

If, in good conscience, you are unable to affirm the above questions, we invite you to come forward for a blessing. Simply cross your arms in front of you and the pastor or elder will offer a blessing to you. We are glad you are worshiping with us today!

Preparation for Worship

Our worship begins with the prelude. The prelude invites us to prepare our hearts and minds for worship. We invite you to separate yourselves from the clutter of everyday life and focus on God through prayerful meditation.

What does this look like?

- Close your eyes and take some deep breaths.
- Meditate upon the scripture lessons for today, listed in the bulletin.
- Read the "Before worship" prayer located in the front of the hymnal.
- Silence your phone and silence your mind.

Once the prelude begins, usually five minutes before the service, please refrain from loud conversation. The sanctuary, where the pews are, is a place of worship. While you are encouraged to welcome your brothers and sisters in Christ, we ask that you speak softly so as not to interrupt those who are taking this time to focus on God through the music presented.

Altar Flowers today are given...

In Memory of the birthday of Eileen Bailey given by Diane Bailey



From Our LiveStream Team...

Our worship today will be livestreamed for those members and friends that are unable to join us in person. By entering the Sanctuary, you give permission to Immanuel Lutheran Church and School to film or photograph you, and any minor children under the age of 18, and use your likeness on our social media channels and website.

If you would like to limit your time on camera please sit towards the back of the Sanctuary or off to either side. If you have any concerns, please speak with one of the ushers or elders before or after service today.

We are looking for volunteers. Are you interested in learning how to become part of the AV team? Contact the church office to let us know.

Office Lights this month are given...

In Memory of Helen Galligan by her family.

Eternal Lights this month are given...

In Memory of Richard Weniger by his daughter Cristy Weniger Diaz

We thank those who serve today in worship:

Presiding Minister & Preacher:

Pastor Ryan

Assisting Minister Bruce Pflieger

Communion Assistant: Adele Tarlton

Acolyte:

Emilie Dupre

Organist/Minister of Music: Oyeniran Oyedeji

Cantor:

Michael Roehl

Reader: Ron Mausolf

Ushers:

Tom & Kate Dube and Randy & Rose Salazar Greeter:
Loretta Fox
Altar Guild:
Linda Thunhorst
Audio & Visual:

(a)

(v) Shane Lindley

Divine Service Setting I LSB 151

Prelude "Communion Prelude on 'Picardy'" Gilbert M. Martin

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome

Choral Introit "Let All Men Praise the Lord" Eugene L. Clark

ILC Adult Choir

Stand

Opening Hymn Crown Him with Many Crowns LSB 525

4 Confession & Forgiveness 4

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **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.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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 +

Kyrie (Lord, Have Mercy)

LSB 152



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Hymn of Praise

O God Beyond All Praising

ELW 880 Sung to the tune Thaxted LSB 941

- 1. O God beyond all praising, we worship you today
 And sing the love amazing that songs cannot repay;
 For we can only wonder at ev'ry gift you send,
 At blessings without number and mercies without end:
 We lift our hearts before you and wait upon your word,
 We honor and adore you, our great and mighty Lord.
- 2. The flow'r of earthly splendor in time must surely die, Its fragile bloom surrender to you, the Lord most high; But hidden from all nature the eternal seed is sown—Though small in mortal stature, to heaven's garden grown: For Christ, your gift from heaven, from death has set us free, And we through him are given the final victory.
- 3. Then hear, O gracious Savior, accept the love we bring,
 That we who know your favor may serve you as our King;
 And whether our tomorrows be filled with good or ill,
 We'll triumph through our sorrows and rise to bless you still:
 To marvel at your beauty and glory in your ways,
 And make a joyful duty our sacrifice of praise.

Salutation and Collect (Prayer) of the Day

LSB 156



- **P** Let us pray.
- Eternal God, merciful Father, You have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

11"For thus says the Lord GOD: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. ¹²As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the Lord GOD. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice. . . .

²⁰"Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, ²²I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken."

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. ²²For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For "God has put all things in subjection under his feet." But when it says, "all things are put in subjection," it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in subjection under him. ²⁸When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

Stand

Appointed Verse

Revelation 22:13

Cantor Sings

I am the Alpha and the O- | mega,* the first and the last, the beginning | and the end.

Holy Gospel Matthew 25:31-46

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



³¹[Jesus said:] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. ³²Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. ³⁴Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? ³⁸And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? ³⁹And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' ⁴⁰And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.'

⁴¹"Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, saying, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, saying, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Sit

Children's Message

Jesus Shall Reign stz. 2 Women | stz. 4 Men

LSB 832

Sermon

Stand

Nicene Creed LSB 158

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 sites at the right hand of the Father.

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.

Sharing of the Peace

The people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.

(Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

Sit

Offering

"The Lord Is a Mighty God"

Felix Mendelssohn arr. Hal H. Hopson

ILC Adult Choir

Offerings are given as a response of all God's gifts given to us.

2 Corinthians 9:7-8 states:

"Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work."

As a member of Immanuel, we are called to support the mission and ministry of ILCS. If you are a guest or visitor this day, please know that there is no expectation for you to give.

We do invite you to fill out the guest card and place it in the offering plate so that we can share with you all the ministries of Immanuel.



Prayers of the Church

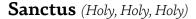
- A Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer

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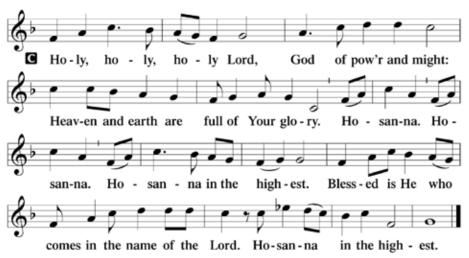
Preface LSB 160



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, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:







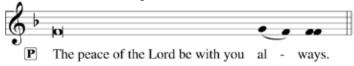
Lord's Prayer

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

LSB 162

Pax Domini (The Peace of the Lord)





LSB 163



Sit

Communion

Gluten-free options are available: please indicate to the pastor if you need one of these.

Alcohol free juice options are available in the center of each of the individual cup communion trays.

Communion Hymn

The Lamb

LSB 547

LSB 163

In memory of composer Gerald Coleman, who went to be with the Lord earlier this year.

Communion Hymn

Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

LSB 621

Stand after communion has finished

Dismissal

- The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you in body and soul to life everlasting. Depart + in peace.
- C Amen.

Thank the Lord LSB 164



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



Post-Communion Collect

LSB 166

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 LSB 166

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.



Closing Hymn

Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

LSB 336

Postlude "Fanfare on 'Duke Street'"

Raymond Haan

Acknowledgment

Divine Service, Setting One from Lutheran Service Book

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IMMANUEL FAMILY HERALD



This Week @Immanuel...

• Sunday Nov. 26th

9:00am Worship Service 10:30am Sunday School & Adult Bible Study

• Wednesday Nov. 29th

6:00am Men's Mornings @Elmer's 8:30am ILS Chapel Service

- Thursday Nov. 30th
 - 6:30pm Bell Choir
 - 7:30pm Adult Choir
 - 4- 9pm Byrd's Books Fundraiser
- Saturday Dec. 2nd

3:00pm Mad Hatters Chorus Songs of Christmas

Coming Up @Immanuel...

- Byrd's Books Fundraiser Thursday November 30th 4-9pm
- The Mad Hatter Chorus
 Songs of Christmas
 Saturday December 2nd 3pm
- Advent Prayer Service
 Wednesdays in Advent
 December 6th, 13th, & 20th 12pm
- Wednesday Advent Series
 The Clothing of the King
 December 6th & 13th 7pm
- Hanging of the Greens
 Sunday December 10th 9am
- Lessons & Carols
 Saturday December 16th 4pm

- Immanuel Lutheran School
 Advent Service "Joy to the World"
 Wednesday December 20th 7pm
- American Red Cross Blood Drive Saturday December 23rd 8am-1pm
- Christmas Eve Candlelight Services Sunday December 24th 4:00 & 10:00pm No 9am service on Christmas Eve
- Christmas Day Service
 Monday December 25th 10:00am

The Holidays at Immanuel Lutheran Church & School

The air is getting cooler, maybe it will stay this time... The lawns are filled with leaves that used to be hanging from trees. The plans are being drafted for feasts and gatherings with family and friends. The signs that the first snow may fall soon and the carols of the season will fill the air. There is a lot going on around Immanuel as we prepare to close out a calendar year and start the new church year. Below are some of the initial details of what Immanuel is working on for this year. Stay tuned as we finalize and release more information over the next couple weeks.

The Clothing of the King

This midweek Advent Sermon Series tells the stories of the clothing of the King. Stories that describe a wardrobe at once splendid and sinstained, with fabrics that reveal who we are and cover us all the same. The clothing of the King is tattered and worn and glorious in its incorruptibility. It isn't ours, yet he gives it to us freely.

Hanging of the Greens

Stay after Bible Study and help finish decorating the sanctuary. Refreshments provided to help keep your decorating energy up!



Giving Tree



IT'S HERE! The Giving Tree is here!

Please take one of the scrolls and return your gift no later then December 10th. White yarn is a gift and blue yarn is a gift certificate.

Keep this annual mission event for our Danbury community in your prayers!

Matt. 25:40

Immanuel Lutheran School's Advent Service

Mark this joyful event on your calendar so you don't forget:

"Joy to the World" Children's Christmas Service at Immanuel on Wednesday, December 20th at 7pm.

Let the joy about Jesus' birth fill your heart!



Danbury Brass Band Christmas Concert

The Danbury Brass Band will present a Christmas concert on Sunday December 17th at 2:00 (to 3:15) at the Immanuel. The concert will be free to the public.

The program will feature special brass arrangements of music by Tschaikowsky, Mozart, Berlioz, Ravel, Richard Strauss, Percy Faith and Ian Anderson. There will be several premieres as well as a "Name That (Christmas) Tune" audience participation for prizes.

Soloists will include Jed Orosz, Kim Bonsanti, John Beers and Charlie Mann. Musical arrangements will be by Alan Raph, Joseph Stamboni, Ernie Adams and Bob Scillitoe.

This concert will be sponsored by the Danbury Cultural Commission and the Connecticut Brass Society.

For more information call Alan Raph 203-746-4222



Immanuel Lutheran School!

Just in time for your Christmas gift-giving!

Join Immanuel's PTL on Thursday November 30th 4pm to 9pm at Byrd's Books I 178 Greenwood Avenue Bethel, CT (directly across the street from the Bethel Public Library)



Our school will receive 20% of each purchase during that time period!

Let your family members and friends know so they can join in this special event to support ILS PTL programs too!!

ILS Art News

If you had stopped by the Art room last week, you would have found students hard at work creating art before the Thanksgiving holiday.

PK students worked on a collage inspired by the story of the Three Little Pigs. They glued raffia on one house and small twigs on another and next week they will glue paper bricks on the final house. Using tacky glue was a whole new and sticky experience!

Kindergarteners painted the background for their giraffe drawing using black paint and a simple pattern.

First graders listened to the story of Giraffes Can't Dance and then learned a technique for folding strips of paper together to create the legs for a dancing giraffe marionette.

Second graders learning a new painting technique using string and paint - they loved it and declared it the best thing ever! Many images were created and will be used to make the final artwork.

Third and Fourth Graders continued working on their Pop Art name project. They will be using their names as the final element in a layered relief with foam core, bright colors, and graphic patterning.

Fifth grade students are also working on a name project, using graffiti style lettering painted on a craft stick "fence."

The Sixth, Seventh and Eighth graders are working on a multi-step project done in the style of Tim Burton. They have mixed three values of grey paint - which will be used to create the landscape layers of a shadowbox which will also include a small self-portrait.

Even with the excitement of the oncoming holiday, the creativity and enthusiasm of ILS students was evident, and I am thankful for it.

Happy Thanksgiving!

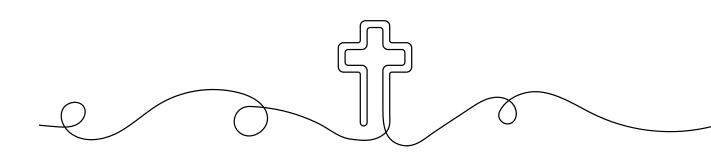
Linda Nemergut ILS Art Teacher

This week we pray for...

Immanuel Lutheran School be sure to check out their stuff on the school table in the narthex. Mrs. Feenan's 2nd Graders I Ryder, Sammy, Sean, Hannah, Nina, & Evelyn

Prayer Requests Annette Schweitzer

Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:1 6-18





Join us for Worship Sunday mornings at 9:00 am

Adult Bible Study
Sunday mornings at 10:30 am
in the Family Life Center

New Class Starting December 3rd. Stay tuned for more details!

Sunday School PreK- 6th grade Sunday mornings at 10:30 am meet on the red pew outside the church

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