Christ the King



10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist In-Person and via Zoom November 21, 2021

Welcome!

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a Reconciling in Christ congregation.

We welcome people of every age and size, color and culture, every sexual orientation and gender identity, socio-economic status and marital status, every ability and challenge.

We welcome believers and questioners, and questioning believers.

We're glad God has called you here today! If you're a guest, please feel free to introduce yourself to our pastor or assisting minister. If you would, sign the guest book in the Gathering Area or fill in a guest card, and we'll be happy to send information on how you can get involved at Immanuel.

Please keep your masks on during the worship service and when moving to and from your place in the Fellowship Hall during coffee hour. Announcements, celebrations, and time to socialize with one another will take place after worship during coffee hour in the fellowship hall. You're welcome to attend the coffee hour in-person, or via Zoom. After worship Scan this QR code with your smartphone camera to join the coffee hour via Zoom



Facilities

- Our parking lot is located on the south side of the church off Sherman Avenue. You may park in the lot at
 any time, whether for church events or for shopping or other errands in downtown Evanston; weekdays,
 see the church office at the Lake St. entrance to get a parking pass. On Sundays, additional parking is
 available across the street at the Holiday Inn or in Lot 6 on Lake St. across from the Police and Fire
 Headquarters. Parking meters are free until 1:00 P.M. on Sunday.
- The parking lot entrance is an accessible entrance. An elevator is located just inside that door.
- Restrooms are downstairs near the meeting of the two hallways. Accessible restrooms are located near
 the elevator on both upper and lower levels. A gender-neutral restroom is located on the lower level by
 the elevator.
- We love having children in worship! Activity bags are available from the greeters. There is a nursery and changing/crying room for parents to use, if needed, located downstairs. There are also changing tables in both restrooms on this level, by the elevator. An usher will be happy to direct you.
- Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for equipment.
- Wi-Fi is available throughout most of the building. The network is "Immanuel," password "allarewelcome". Please use the Internet responsibly!

About Our Worship

Our Sunday worship is organized around the proclamation of the Word of God and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. It has a familiar form each week, but the content changes for each service according to a calendar shared with many other Christians. Our hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*, is organized so that page numbers for the liturgy are in the front part of the book, while hymn numbers are in the second part. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin.

Receiving Holy Communion

We invite you to share with us in the sacramental meal because Christ invites you! There is no specific age requirement for Communion. For safety we have individually packaged communion with either wine or grape juice that you can pick up at the entrance of the sanctuary. We will commune all together in the pews at the designated time. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

Gathering: The Holy Spirit assembles us as the People of God ...

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

P: Presiding Minister *L:* Leader/Assisting Minister *R:* Reader *A:* Assembly + All may make the sign of the cross.

Prelude Organ Chorale No. 1

By Cesar Franck

The Assembly stands when directed.

Confession and Forgiveness

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- A Amen.
- P Let us confess our sins to the one who welcomes us with an open heart.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

- P Have mercy on us, O God,
- A We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor.
 We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger.
 We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice.
 Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.
- P God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for ⅓ Jesus' sake and remembers them no more.

 Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God.
- A Amen.



Greeting

- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- A And also with you!

Canticle of Praise



Prayer of the Day

The presiding minister leads the prayer of the day.

P Let us pray. A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

A Amen.

The Assembly is seated.

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

R A reading from Daniel.

⁹As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰A stream of fire issued

and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

¹³As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being

coming with the clouds of heaven.

And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

¹⁴To him was given dominion and glory and kingship,

that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

R Word of God, word of life.

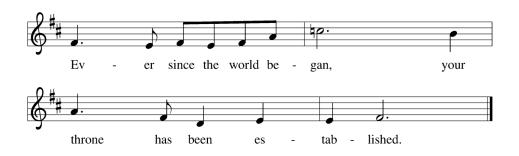
A Thanks be to God!

Psalm 93

The organ will play the tone, and then the refrain, and then the Assembly will sing the refrain through. The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses. All sing the refrain where indicated by "R."



Refrain:



¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and ¹ armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- I not be moved.

- ²Ever since the world began, your throne has | been established; you are from | everlasting. R
- ³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted | up their voice; the waters have lifted up their | pounding waves.
- ⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers | of the sea, mightier is the LORD who | dwells on high.
- ⁵Your testimonies are [|] very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- [|] evermore. **R**

Reading from the New Testament

Revelation 1:4b-8

R A reading from Revelation.

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

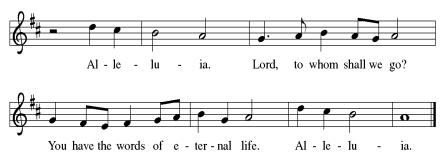
⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

R Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.

Gospel Acclamation



Gospel John 18:33-37

P This is the Good News of Jesus Christ according to John.

A Glory to you, O Lord!

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Assembly is seated.

Sermon

Time of Silence

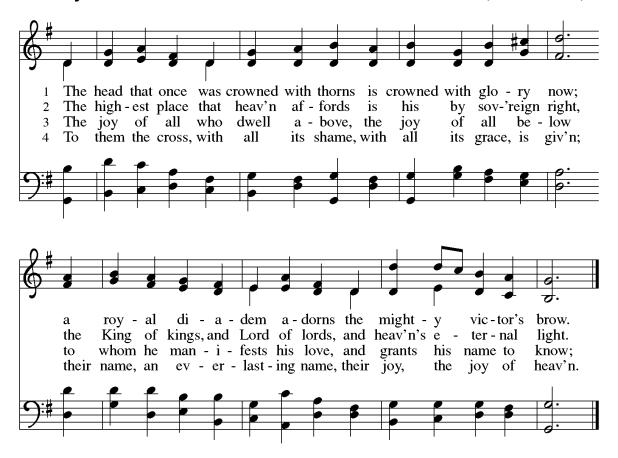
A bell will sound to signal a time of silence for reflection.

During this time, you may want to meditate on one word from the scriptures or from the sermon that stands out to you, asking the Spirit to show you how it applies to your own life.

When the bell sounds a second time, the Assembly stands to respond to the Word with song.

Hymn of the Day

"The Head That Once Was Crowned" (ST. MAGNUS) **ELW 432**



- 5 They suffer with their Lord below; they reign with him above; their profit and their joy to know the myst'ry of his love.
- 6 The cross he bore is life and health, though shame and death to him; his people's hope, his people's wealth, their everlasting theme!

The Nicene Creed

L With the whole Church, let us profess our faith.

A We believe in one God,

the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth,

of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,

the only Son of God,

eternally begotten of the Father,

God from God, Light from Light,

true God from true God,

begotten, not made,

of one Being with the Father;

through him all things were made.

For us and for our salvation

he came down from heaven,

was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary

and became truly human.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.

On the third day he rose again

in accordance with the scriptures;

he ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,

and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,

who proceeds from the Father and the Son,

who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,

who has spoken through the prophets.

We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the + resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Prayers of the People

- L Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need. *pause*
- L God, you sent your Son Jesus to testify to the truth. We pray for preachers, missionaries, evangelists, and teachers who carry your forgiveness and love to the world. Fill their words and actions with compassion and kindness so that your truth will shine. God, in your mercy.

A Hear our prayer.

L God, you sent your Son Jesus to teach us how to serve. We pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Grace, our council, and anti-racism task force. God in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L God, you sent your Son Jesus to liberate all of creation. We pray for all living things longing for the freedom to flourish, from ancient trees and wild grasses to endangered animals and rare insects. Give human beings compassionate hearts to care for them. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L God, you sent your Son Jesus to lead us into the way of peace. Direct the members of international alliances in choosing a nonviolent path toward the future. Give them the humility and wisdom to make just decisions to benefit all. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L God, you sent your Son Jesus to rule in all times and places. We pray for the friends of our congregation who are unable to join our worship in person and for all who are sick and suffering, especially Steve Andes, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Babs Deacon, the family of Olga Djuric, Jim Jung, Judith Kratochvil, the family of Kris Knohl, the family of Edgar Krentz, John and Nancy Lang, Jim and Elaine Morehead, Veronica Repasz, Lorrie Roche, Darryl Simchak, Lloyd Stivers, the family of Leslie Thais, Renee Wessel, Grace and Alex, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. Join their prayers with ours and unite them with us in the body of Christ. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L And now, sisters and brothers, for what else shall we pray?

The petitions and thanksgivings of the Assembly, silent or spoken aloud, are invited.

L God in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer.

L God, you sent your Son Jesus to be our beginning and our ending. We give thanks for those whose lives have given us a glimpse of Jesus' reign of justice and peace, especially Clement, Bishop of Rome; Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr; Justus Falckner, Jehu Jones, William Passavant, pastors in North America; and Isaac Watts, hymnwriter. Empower us to join their witness. God, in your mercy,

A Hear our prayer

P God our protection and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

A Amen.

Peace

P The peace of Christ be with you always.

A And also with you.

Greet one another in the peace of the Risen Christ, saying "Peace be with you," "The peace of the Lord," or similar words in an appropriate safe gesture as you speak peace to your neighbors.

Meal: God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ ...

Offering

An offering for doing God's mission, including the care of those in need. The offering will be collected. You scan this code with your smartphone camera to make your financial offering online.



Offering Music

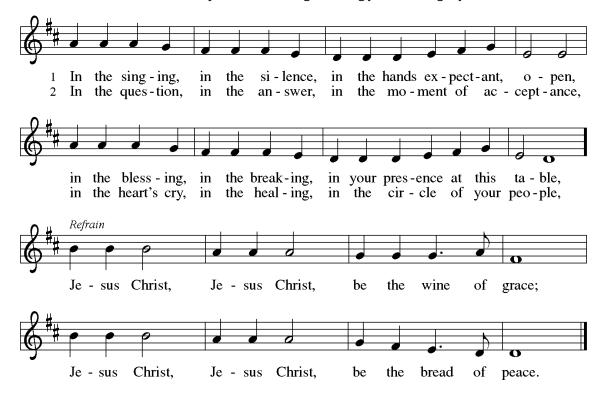
Hark Ten Thousand Harps and Voices
By Robert J. Powell

Hark, ten thousand harps and voices
Sound the note of praise above!
Jesus reigns, and Heav'n rejoices,
Jesus reigns, the God of love;
See, He sits on yonder throne;
Jesus rules the world alone.
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Amen!

Jesus, hail! Whose glory brightens All above, and gives it worth; Lord of life, Thy smile enlightens, Cheers, and charms Thy saints on earth; When we think of love like Thine, Lord, we own it love divine. King of glory, reign forever! Thine an everlasting crown. Nothing from Thy love shall sever Those whom Thou hast made Thine own: Happy objects of Thy grace, Destined to behold Thy face.

Savior, hasten Thine appearing;
Bring, O bring the glorious day,
When, the awful summons bearing
Heaven and earth shall pass away;
Then with all the saints we'll sing,
Glory, glory to our king!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
Hallelujah! Amen!

The Assembly stands and sings as the gifts are brought forward.



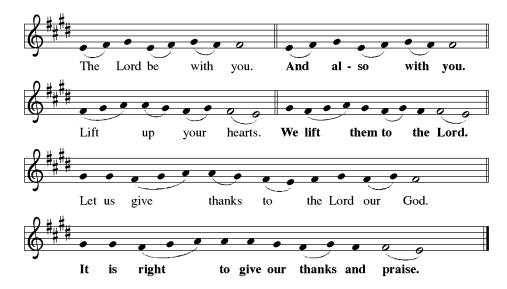
Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray.
- L Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord.

A Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

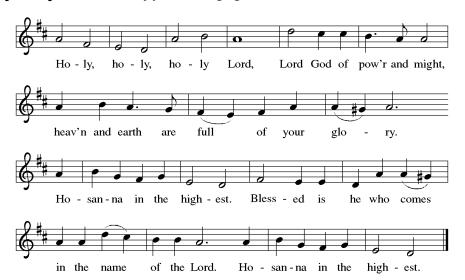
Dialogue The Assembly sings the boldfaced responses.



Preface The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:

P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, That we should at all times and in all places Give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, Through our Savior Jesus Christ; Who on this day overcame death and the grave And by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy *The Assembly joins in singing:*



Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal: surrounded by evil and bordered by death we appeal to you, our Sovereign, our Wisdom, and our Judge.

We praise you for Christ, who proclaimed your reign of peace and promised an end to injustice and harm.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:

Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood,

shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints

his loving redemption of our suffering world.

Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son:

teach us your mercy and justice, and make all things new in Christ.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.

Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

- P Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:
- A Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name.

Your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial, and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

- P A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.
- A Fill us with your love.

Distribution of Holy Communion

The Assembly is seated.

- P This is the body of Christ, given for you. *All communing may partake of the bread*
- P This is the blood of Christ, shed for you. *All communing may drink of their cup.*

The Assembly stands when directed by the Presiding Minister.

Table Dismissal

- P May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you, and keep you in God's grace.
- A Amen.

Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray:
Blessed Jesus,
at this table, you have been for us both host and meal.
Now send us forth to extend our tables
and to share your gifts
until that day when all feast together
at your heavenly banquet.

A Amen



Blessing

P God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life,

→ bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

A Amen.

Dismissal

- L Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.
- A Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Organ Chorale No. 1 By Cesar Franck

Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall, as well as on Zoom. Due to Covid-19 precautions, there will not be refreshments. Zoom Participants, you may provide your own refreshments. Come enjoy one another's company and hear about all the opportunities for service and community!

To join coffee hour via Zoom on a smartphone, scan with your camera to get the link.

Serving in worship today...

Presiding MinisterThe Rev. John L	Lang
Assisting MinisterAnne He	
CantorSara Kr	
Lector	
OrganistGreg Hum	
Music Director	
Table PreparationKit McCa	
Zoom HostGrace Yar	
Audio-Visual TechniciansTom Couch, Kevin McDaniel, Tyler Heyl, Mark Ke	arns
UshersJim Rakowsky and Steve Ar	

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This Week's Commemorations

Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927 Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Pro grew up in a time when the Mexican revolutionaries accused the church of siding with the wealthy. He became a Jesuit priest, and worked on behalf of the poor and homeless. Falsely accused of throwing a bomb at a government official, he was executed, but not before crying out "Long live Christ the King!"

Justus Falckner, died 1723; Jehu Jones, died 1852; William Passavant, died 1894; pastors in North America Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Not only was Falckner the first Lutheran ordained in North America, but he published a catechism which was the first Lutheran book published on the continent. Jones was the Lutheran church's first African American pastor and carried out missionary work in Philadelphia which led to the formation there of the first African American Lutheran congregation (St. Paul's). William Passavant helped to establish hospitals and orphanages in a number of cities and was the first to introduce deaconesses to the work of hospitals in the United States.

Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748 Thursday, November 25, 2021

Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

Upcoming Events – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds,* or the website Calendar at www.immanuelevanston.org.

Until Tuesday, Nov. 30 Pr Mark on Vacation

Thursday, Nov. 25 Thanksgiving Day

Friday, Nov. 26 Native American Heritage Day

Sunday, Nov. 28-Advent 1 Feeding One's Faith Discussion 9:00 am

Sunday Hybrid Worship 10:30 am

New Community Church Worship 1:00 pm

Immanuel's Staff and Leadership

The Rev. Mark Sloss	Pastor
Grace Yarnoff	Congregation President
Melisa Larson	Congregation Vice President
Scott Romans	Congregation Secretary
Susan Ross	Congregation Treasurer
Dana Barron, Tom Couch, Linda Edlund, Bert Mount, Jim Skelton, Steve Warner	Congregation Council Members
Mary Ann Kearns	Financial Secretary
Elizabeth Stegner	Assistant Financial Secretary
James Morehead	Music Director
Greg Hummel	Organist
Laurie Stivers	Associate Organist
Christine Kraemer	Associate Organist
Jane Kaihatsu	Parish Administrator

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