All Saints' Sunday



10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist In-Person and via Zoom November 7, 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 ...

Of all three years of the lectionary cycle, this year's All Saints readings have the most tears. Isaiah and Revelation look forward to the day when God will wipe away all tears; in John's gospel, Jesus weeps along with Mary and all the gathered mourners before he demonstrates his power over death. On All Saints Day we celebrate the victory won for all the faithful dead, but we grieve for our beloved dead as well, knowing that God honors our tears. We bring our grief to the table and find there a foretaste of Isaiah's feast to come.

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

Prelude

Variations on Today's Hymns

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.

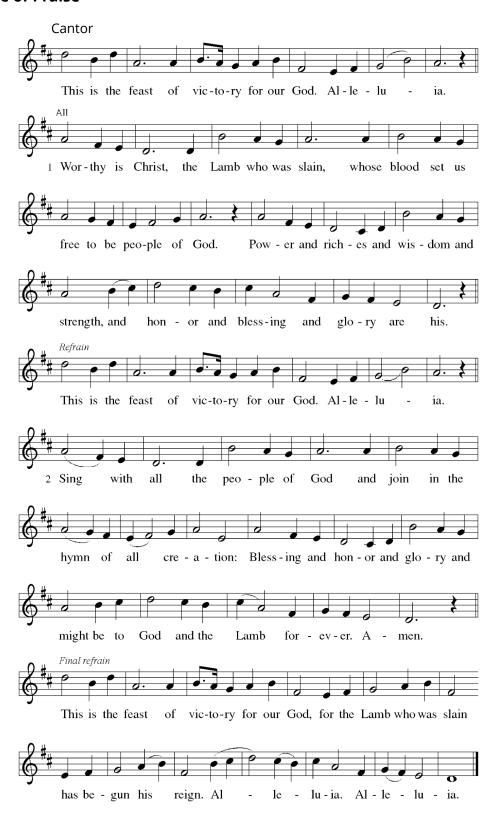
Gathering Song



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 God, you have knit your people together in one communion in the mystical body of your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Grant us grace to follow your blessed saints in lives of faith and commitment, and to know the inexpressible joys you have prepared for those who love you, through 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.

Word: God speaks to us in scripture, preaching, and song

Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

Isaiah 25:6-9

R A reading from Isaiah.

⁶On this mountain the LORD of hosts will make for all peoples a feast of rich food, a feast of well-aged wines, of rich food filled with marrow, of well-aged wines strained clear.

⁷And he will destroy on this mountain

the shroud that is cast over all peoples,

the sheet that is spread over all nations;

⁸he will swallow up death forever.

Then the Lord God will wipe away the tears from all faces, and the disgrace of his people he will take away from all the earth, for the LORD has spoken.

⁹It will be said on that day,

Lo, this is our God; we have waited for him, so that he might save us.

This is the LORD for whom we have waited;

let us be glad and rejoice in his salvation.

R Word of God, word of life.

A Thanks be to God!

Psalm 24

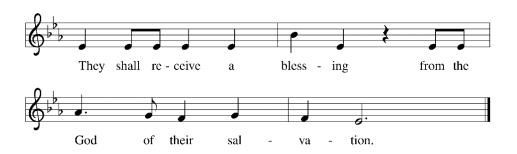
The organ will play the tone, and then the refrain, and then the Assembly will sing the refrain through. The right side of the Assembly sings the lightface verses to the tone; the left side of the Assembly sings boldface verses. All sing the refrain where indicated by "R."

Tone:

ELW Psalm Tone 4, 3 Flats



Refrain:



¹The earth is the LORD's and all ¹ that is in it, the world and those who ¹ dwell therein.

²For the LORD has founded it up- | on the seas and established it up- | on the rivers. R

³Who may ascend the mountain ¹ of the LORD, and who may stand in God's ¹ holy place?

⁴Those of innocent hands and puri- | ty of heart, who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by | what is false.

⁵They shall receive blessing ¹ from the LORD and righteousness from the God of ¹ their salvation.

⁶Such is the generation of those who seek | you, O LORD, of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob. R

⁷Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- ¹ lasting doors, that the King of glory ¹ may come in.

8Who is this | King of glory?

The LORD, strong and mighty, the LORD, might- | y in battle!

⁹Lift up your heads, O gates; and be lifted up, O ever- ¹ lasting doors, that the King of glory ¹ may come in.

10Who is this | King of glory?

Truly, the LORD of hosts is the | King of glory. R

R A reading from Revelations.

¹I saw a new heaven and a new earth; for the first heaven and the first earth had passed away, and the sea was no more. ²And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. ³And I heard a loud voice from the throne saying,

"See, the home of God is among mortals.

He will dwell with them;

they will be his peoples,

and God himself will be with them;

⁴he will wipe every tear from their eyes.

Death will be no more;

mourning and crying and pain will be no more,

for the first things have passed away."

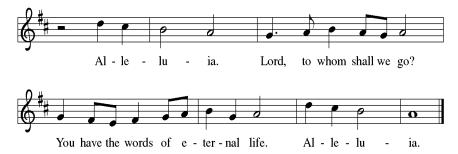
⁵And the one who was seated on the throne said, "See, I am making all things new." Also he said, "Write this, for these words are trustworthy and true." ^{6a}Then he said to me, "It is done! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the beginning and the end."

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 11:32-44

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

A Glory to you, O Lord!

³²When Mary came where Jesus was and saw him, she knelt at his feet and said to him, "Lord, if you had been here, my brother would not have died." ³³When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. ³⁴He said, "Where have you laid him?" They said to him, "Lord, come and see." ³⁵Jesus began to weep. ³⁶So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!" ³⁷But some of them said, "Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?"

³⁸Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. ³⁹Jesus said, "Take away the stone." Martha, the sister of the dead man, said to him, "Lord, already there is a stench because he has been dead four days." ⁴⁰Jesus said to her, "Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?" ⁴¹So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, "Father, I thank you for having heard me.

⁴²I knew that you always hear me, but I have said this for the sake of the crowd standing here, so that they may believe that you sent me." ⁴³When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!" ⁴⁴The dead man came out, his hands and feet bound with strips of cloth, and his face wrapped in a cloth. Jesus said to them, "Unbind him, and let him go."."

- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- A Praise to you, O Christ!

The Assembly is seated.

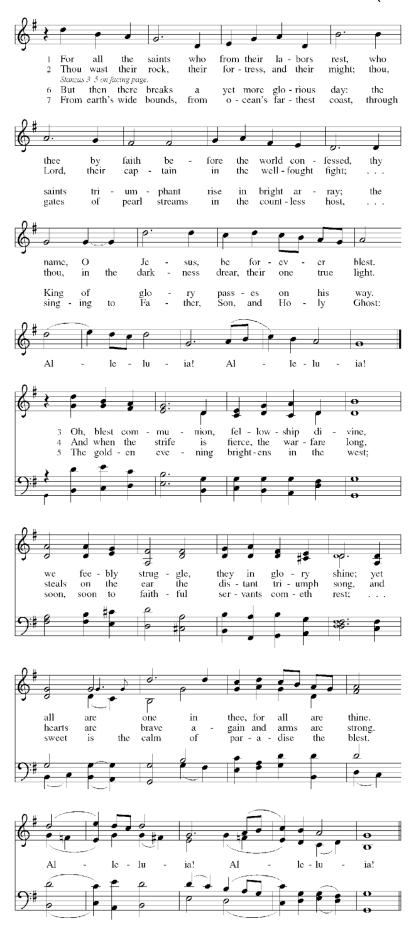
Sermon

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.



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.

Remembrance of New Saints through Baptism and of Those who Have Died in the Lord

At this time, we will give thanks to the Lord for those members of Immanuel, who have been called to their heavenly home this past year. Next, we will commemorate the new saints who became part of the Church through baptism this year, and then we will read the names of those saints who have died in the Lord whom you have asked that we remember. Some have died recently, while others died some time ago, but all are alive in Christ. Candles will be lit by a worship assistant. As the name of your loved one is read, you may stand in acknowledgement.

P O God of the pilgrim's way, we give thanks for those in generations past who have been examples for us of God's love at work in the world. As we pray, we know that we are surrounded by this great, rejoicing cloud of witnesses. Yet even as we name these holy ancestors, we thank God for others whose names we never knew or have forgotten, who showed us the meaning of life in Christ.

Immanuel members called home this year: Ernie LeVon and Mildred Carlson.

- L For blessed Ernie, home of quiet endurance
- A We give thanks. (Bell is rung and candle is lit)
- L For blessed Mildred, wise and faithful companion

A We give thanks. (Bell is rung and candle is lit)

New saints by baptism:

Aleksander Shearer, Thomas Shearer, Sienna Hewitt

Those who have died in the Lord:

Bette Anderson Donna Imhoff Yolanda Borrelli Imhoff Ken Baar Cam & Betty Bergendorff Charles Keely Herman & Leona Beveroth Kris Knohl Patricia Couch Barbara Kremer Richard Couch Edgar Krentz Mike Durdov Axel & Gerda Larson Marion Flynn Harold & Maxine Larson Robert Larson Edgar Graf Joseph & Alene Harrington Vernon & Ann Lee Margaret M. Hastings Ernest LeVon Jonathan Hoefker Paul & Ada Lowe Harold Henry Hoefker Helen Sterling McDaniel Betty Jane Hoefker Dorothy McNeil Nancy Marie Hoefker Ioshua Rau

Ken Schultz
Jack & Ruby Skelton
Joe Skelton
Susanna Smoot
William Richard Stegner
Reinhard Stehn
Dorothy Stivers
Bernhard & Wilma Urban
Ethelyn S. & Robert W.
Warner
Michael R. Warner
Sam Wee

Verlaine Riek

Pr. Paul Sampsell

Immanuel's Gold Star Veterans:

Raymond Arnold Anderson Robert Torsten Bergendorff

Osborne & Lovera Hummel

Alfred George Imhoff

John Evert Johnson Carl Edward Lindquist

George Reuther

David Riek

Ivar Leonard Peterson Arvid Sternquist

William Woting

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 Merciful God, we give thanks for all missionaries who have brought your message of hope to new communities and wiped tears away, especially John Christian Frederick Heyer, Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, Ludwig Nommensen whom we commemorate today. Continue to raise up courageous missionaries to share your gospel of hope. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Calling God, we give you thanks for your work in our leaders. We pray for our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Grace, our council, and anti-racism task force. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L Creating God, we praise you for abundant harvests and the goodness of creation. Create communities of care for your earth so that all land, water, and soil will be celebrated and cherished by future generations of saints. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L God of peace, we give you thanks for nations of peace that serve as a refuge for all whose homelands are afflicted with violence. Strengthen those who continue to work for peace and support all veterans who carry the scars of war. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L God of healing, we give you thanks for health care workers who labor around the clock to answer cries for help. Bring wholeness to all who struggle with post-traumatic stress disorder, anxiety, depression, addiction, and all who long for healing in any way, especially Steve Andes, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Karen Davern, Babs Deacon, 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, Grace and Alex, and those we name now aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. Strengthen hospitals, clinics, counseling centers, nursing homes, and recovery centers to be holy spaces of renewal that all might live the abundant life you intend. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L God of glory, we give you thanks for the joyous birth of Arthur Robert Litwin. May he and his parents Kersten and Andrew be surrounded by your love and protection. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

L God of justice, we praise you for the feeding ministries and for all meals that bring people together for nourishment and fellowship. Bless chefs, bakers, servers, dishwashers, communion assistants, and meal ministry coordinators. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

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 Hear us, O God,

A Your mercy is great.

L God of the ages, we give you thanks for the saints of this congregation who have inspired, challenged, loved, and taught us. Wipe away our tears and lead us by their example until we feast together on your holy mountain. Hear us, O God.

A Your mercy is great.

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

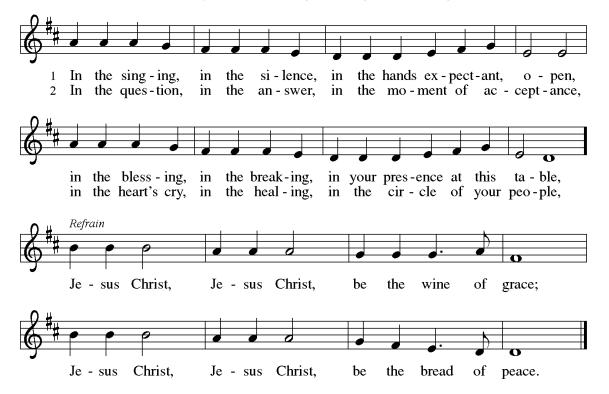
Give Us Wings of Faith

By Ernest Bullock

Give us the wings of faith to rise within the veil, and see the saints above, how great their joys, how bright their glories be.

We ask them whence their victory came; they, with one united breath, ascribe their conquest to the Lamb, their triumph to his death.

They marked the footsteps that he trod, his zeal inspired their breast, and following their incarnate God, they reached the promised rest. The Assembly stands and sings as the gifts are brought forward.



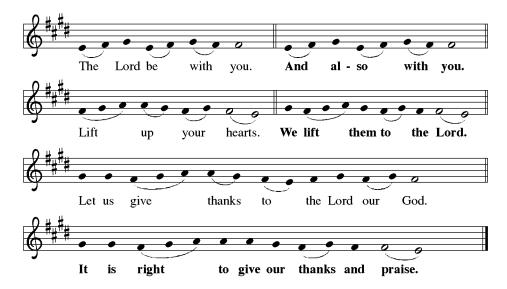
Offering Prayer

- 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.

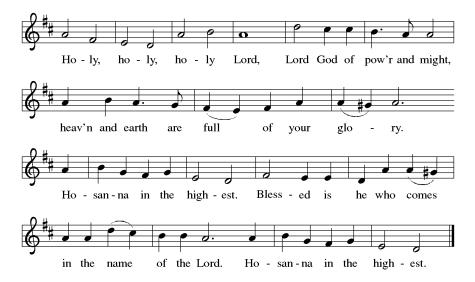


Preface The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:

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.

By the witness of your saints you show us the hope of our calling and strengthen us to run the race set before us, that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory. And so, with all the saints, with the choirs of angels and all 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

P With all the saints of Africa and Asia, India and the islands, Europe and the Americas, we praise you, O God, for you create the worlds.

With all the baptized, the old and the young, the weak and the strong, the famous and the forgotten, we bless you, O God, for you provide us with water and food.

With all the faithful in cities and on farms, in mansions and huts, past and present, we worship you, O God, for you shelter the generations.

With all your holy people, those who ministered in the church, those who served the poor, and all who walked the way of the cross, we glorify you, O God, for in Jesus you journeyed with us on earth. With Paul and the evangelists, we remember the meal of your Son: 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.

With Peter and all the martyrs, we honor Christ's death, saying Amen. **Amen!**With Mary Magdalene and all the apostles, we proclaim his resurrection, shouting Amen. **Amen!**

With John and all the theologians and mystics, we look for his returning, pleading Amen. **Amen!**

With the Virgin Mary and all who sang of your greatness, we pray for the power of the Spirit. Visit this gathering, this bread and this cup,

with the presence of the body and blood of Christ.

Form us into a communion of service,

and infuse your earth with the wholeness we seek.

With grandparents and godparents, with the church universal,

and especially with Ernie and Mildred,

lead us to a future we cannot yet see,

and at the end draw all humanity to yourself.

Now with all of the family you saved by your love,

we shout blessing **blessing**, glory **glory**, wisdom **wisdom**, thanksgiving **thanksgiving**, honor **honor**, power **power**, might **might**, be to our God forever and ever. Amen. **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.

PostludeSine Nomine
Arranged by Arthur Hutchings

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 Minister The Rev. Mark Sloss **Assisting Minister** Kit McCarthy Sara Krentz Cantor Steve Warner Lector Organist Laurie Stivers **Music Director** James Morehead **Table Preparation** Lisa Larson Zoom Host **Grace Yarnoff Audio-Visual Technicians** Tom Couch, Kevin McDaniel **Ushers** Joe & Terri Simchak

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This Week's Commemorations

John Christian Frederick Heyer, died 1873; Bartholomaeus Ziegenbalg, died 1719; Ludwig Nommensen, died 1918; missionaries

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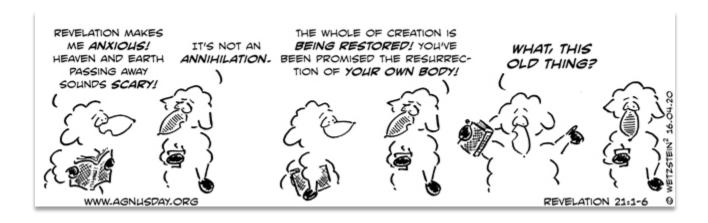
Heyer was the first missionary sent out by American Lutherans. After teaching at Gettysburg College and Seminary he was assigned to the Andhra region of India. A worker among the Tamil people on the southeast coast of India, Ziegenbalg was opposed both by local Hindus and by Danish authorities who favored a different missionary style. He was known for caring about the welfare of the whole person. Nommensen was born in northern Germany and was sent to Sumatra as a Lutheran missionary. Working among the Batak people, he translated the scriptures into their language, and honored their native culture.

Martin, Bishop of Tours, died 397 Thursday, November 11, 2021

Martin's pagan father enlisted him in the Roman army. Approached by a beggar, Martin cut his cloak in half and gave part to the man, whom he later understood as representing Christ. He asked to leave the army, but was jailed instead. After his release, he became a preacher, and later a bishop.

Søren Aabye Kierkegaard, teacher, died 1855 Thursday, November 11, 2021

Kierkegaard was a Danish theologian whose writings also gave rise to the modern philosophy of existentialism. He frequently attacked the complacency of the state church of his day, as well as its desire to be accepted by polite society rather than be a stumbling block.



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

Tuesday, Nov. 9	Midweek Adult Spiritual Discussion via Zoom	7:00 pm
Wednesday, Nov. 10	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thursday, Nov. 11	Veterans Day	
	Wilmette Band Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Sunday, Nov. 14	Feeding One's Faith Discussion	9:00 am
	Sunday Hybrid Worship	10:30 am
	New Community Church Worship	1:00 pm

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