



**The First Sunday in Advent**

**10:30 A.M. Worship with Eucharist  
November 27, 2022**

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# 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.

**Masks are now optional during worship service.** Masks are optional 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. 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. The liturgy is printed in this bulletin. If you're joining us via Zoom, please remain muted until you get to the part where you will be invited to unmute and participate in some parts of the liturgy, as marked by this symbol. 🗣️ = UNMUTE

## 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. The pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you" following the singing of the Communion Song. Please deposit the cups and wrappers in the trash receptacles as you leave the sanctuary.

The other option is to come forward to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. The Assisting Minister and Pastor will remain masked during the distribution. Please keep in mind proper physical distance from other worshippers in coming forward to consume the elements. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements.

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

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*The new church year begins with a wake-up call: Christ is coming soon! In today's readings both Paul and Jesus challenge us to wake from sleep, for we know neither the day nor hour of the Lord's coming. Isaiah proclaims the day when God will gather all people on the holy mountain and there will be no more war or suffering. Though we vigilantly watch for the promised day of salvation, we wait for what we already have: Christ comes among us this day as the word and meal that strengthens our faith in the promises of God.*

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

## **Prelude**

"Three variations on "Fling Wide the Door" by J.N. David  
"Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying" by J.G. Walther  
"Idyll" from Sonata No. 14 by Josef Rheinberger

*The Assembly stands when directed.*

# Lighting of the Advent Wreath

John & Susan Ross

*As the candle is lighted, the Assembly sings v.1*

## "Light a Candle, Bright and Tall", v. 1

1. Light a can-dle bright and tall For the Hope with - in our world.  
2. Light a can-dle bright and tall For the Peace we wish to know.  
3. Light a can-dle bright and tall For the Joy this sea - son brings.  
4. Light a can-dle bright and tall For a Love which knows no end.  
5. Light a can-dle bright and tall For the Christ we greet to - day.

Hope that heard the a - ges' call As the stars and pla - nets whirled.  
Peace on Earth for great and small God's Good News to us be - stows.  
Joy like foun - tains brim - ming full. Through our world now let it ring!  
Love that comes to one and all. Fear and ha - tred to up - end.  
Christ has come, our all in all. With the an - gels, let us say:

Shine with - in our hearts to - day Come, O Hope, to us, we pray.  
Shine with - in our hearts to - day Come, O Peace, to us, we pray.  
Shine with - in our hearts to - day Come, O Joy, to us, we pray.  
Shine with - in our hearts to - day Come, O Love, to us, we pray.  
Shine with - in our hearts to - day Come, O Christ, to us, we pray.

### Advent Wreath Prayer

L Let us pray. Blessed are you, O Lord our God, ruler of the universe.

You call all nations to walk in your light  
and to seek your ways of justice and peace,  
for the night is past, and the dawn of your coming is near.  
Bless us as we light the first candle of this wreath.

Rouse us from sleep, that we may be ready to greet our Lord when he comes  
and welcome him into our hearts and homes,  
for he is our light and our salvation. Blessed be God forever.

**A Amen.**

## Gathering

P The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

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

## Confession and Forgiveness

P Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel,  
who alone does wondrous things.

**A**  **Amen.**

P Beloved, now is the time to wake from sleep.  
Let us confront our sins,  
and confess them to the one who is merciful and just.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P God of new beginnings,

**A**  **we confess that we have not welcomed your holy reign.**

**We have strayed from your paths.**

**We prepare for war instead of peace.**

**We dishonor one another and your creation.**

**Purify us with your refining fire**

**and set us again on your way of love,**

**that we may bear fruit worthy of repentance,**

**and welcome your coming among us.**

**Amen.**

P People of God,  
a new thing is growing in our midst,  
a tender branch,  
a living sign.  
By water and the Spirit you are joined to this wonder.  
You have put on ✠ Christ,  
and your sins have been washed away.  
Rejoice in the way of the Lord.

**A**  **Amen.**



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## Gathering Song

## “Fling Wide the Door” (MACHT HOCH DIE TUR) ELW 259

1 Fling wide the door, un - bar the gate; the King of glo - ry  
 2 He is the rock of our be - lief, the heart of mer - cy's  
 3 Oh, hap - py towns and bless - ed lands that live by their true  
 4 Come, Lord, our Sav - ior, Je - sus Christ; our hearts are o - pen

comes in state; the Lord of lords and King of kings, the  
 gen - tle self. His king - ly crown is ho - li - ness; his  
 king's com - mands. And bless - ed be the hearts he rules, the  
 wide in trust. Oh, show us now your love - ly grace, up -

Sav - ior of the world who brings his great sal - va - tion  
 scep - ter is his love - li - ness; he brings our sor - rows  
 hum - ble plac - es where he dwells. He is the right - ful  
 on our sor - rows shine your face, and let your Ho - ly

to the earth. So raise a shout of ho - ly mirth and  
 to an end. Now glad - ly praise our king and friend, and  
 Son of bliss who fills our lives and makes us his, cre -  
 Spir - it guide our jour - ney in your grace so wide. We

praise our God and Lord, Cre - a - tor, Spir - it, Word.  
 wor - ship him with song, for sav - ing us from wrong.  
 a - tor of the world, our on - ly strength for good.  
 praise your ho - ly name, from age to age the same!

## Greeting.

P The grace of our Lord Jesus, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit, be with you all.

A  **And also with you!**

# Kyrie

Cantor



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal - va - tion, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace of the whole world, for the well - being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



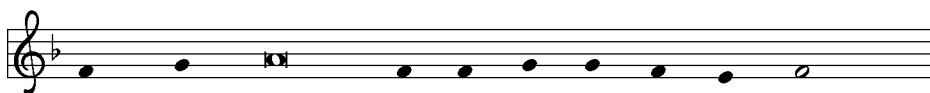
For this ho - ly house, and for all who of - fer here their wor - ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra - cious Lord.



A - men.



## Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

**A**  **And also with you.**

P Let us pray...

*Pause for a moment of silence...*

P Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. By your merciful protection save us from the threatening dangers of our sins, and enlighten our walk in the way of your salvation, for you live and reign with the Father 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...*

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## Reading from the Hebrew Scriptures

**Isaiah 2:1-5**

R A reading from Isaiah.

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>In days to come

the mountain of the LORD's house  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be raised above the hills;  
all the nations shall stream to it.

<sup>3</sup>Many peoples shall come and say,

"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob;  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths."

For out of Zion shall go forth instruction,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,

and shall arbitrate for many peoples;  
they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war any more.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD!

R Word of God, word of life.

**A Thanks be to God!**

## Psalm 122

## ELW Psalm Tone 2, 1 Flat

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:



### Refrain:

I was glad when they said to me,  
"Let us go to the house of the LORD."



= Please use your mask when singing.

- <sup>1</sup> I was glad when they <sup>1</sup> said to me,  
"Let us go to the house <sup>1</sup> of the LORD."
- <sup>2</sup> **Now our <sup>1</sup> feet are standing  
within your gates, <sup>1</sup> O Jerusalem.**
- <sup>3</sup> Jerusalem is built <sup>1</sup> as a city  
that is at unity <sup>1</sup> with itself;
- <sup>4</sup> **to which the tribes go up, the tribes <sup>1</sup> of the LORD,  
the assembly of Israel, to praise the name <sup>1</sup> of the LORD. R**
- <sup>5</sup> For there are the <sup>1</sup> thrones of judgment,  
the thrones of the <sup>1</sup> house of David.
- <sup>6</sup> **Pray for the peace <sup>1</sup> of Jerusalem:  
"May they pros- <sup>1</sup> per who love you.**
- <sup>7</sup> Peace be with- <sup>1</sup> in your walls  
and quietness with- <sup>1</sup> in your towers.
- <sup>8</sup> **For the sake of my kindred <sup>1</sup> and companions,  
I pray for <sup>1</sup> your prosperity.**
- <sup>9</sup> Because of the house of the <sup>1</sup> LORD our God,  
I will seek to <sup>1</sup> do you good." R

## Reading from the New Testament

Romans 13:11-14

R A reading from Romans.

<sup>11</sup>Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; <sup>12</sup>the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; <sup>13</sup>let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

R Word of God, word of life.

A 🗣️ **Thanks be to God!**

*The Assembly stands to greet the Good News of Jesus.*

## Gospel Acclamation

Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. *Repeat alleluia*

Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of e - ter - nal life.



## Gospel

Matthew 24:36-44

P The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

A **Glory to you, O Lord!**

[Jesus said to the disciples,] <sup>36</sup>"About that day and hour no one knows, neither the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. <sup>37</sup>For as the days of Noah were, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they knew nothing until the flood came and swept them all away, so too will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two will be in the field; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding meal together; one will be taken and one will be left. <sup>42</sup>Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But understand this: if the owner of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

A **Praise to you, O Christ!**



*The Alleluia of the Gospel Acclamation is sung once again. The Assembly is then 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.*

1 Wake, a - wake, for night is fly - ing, the watch-men  
 2 Zi - on hears the watch-men sing - ing, and all her  
 3 Glo - ri - a! Let heav'n a - dore you! Let saints and

on the heights are cry - ing; a - wake, Je - ru - sa - lem, at last.  
 heart with joy is spring - ing. She wakes, she ris - es from her gloom.  
 an - gels sing be - fore you, with harp and cym - bal's clear - est tone.

Mid - night hears the wel - come voic - es, and at the  
 Her dear friend comes down, all glo - rious, the strong in  
 Gates of pearl, twelve por - tals gleam - ing, lead us to

thrill - ing cry re - joic - es: “Come forth, you maid - ens! Night is past.  
 grace, in truth vic - to - rious: her star is ris'n; her light is come.  
 bliss be - yond all dream - ing, with an - gel choirs a - round your throne.

The bride - groom comes! A - wake; your lamps with glad - ness take!”  
 Now come, O Bless - ed One, Lord Je - sus, God's own Son.  
 No eye has caught the light, no ear the thun - d'ring might

Al - le - lu - ia! Rise and pre - pare the feast to share;  
 Sing ho - san - na! Oh, hear the call! Come one, come all,  
 of such glo - ry. There we will go: what joy we'll know!

go, meet the bride - groom, who draws near.  
 and fol - low to the ban - quet hall.  
 There sweet de - light will ev - er flow.

## The Apostle's Creed

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

**A I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.  
I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended to the dead.  
On the third day he rose again;  
he ascended into heaven,  
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,  
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

## Prayers of the People the Responses

L As we prepare for the fullness of Christ's presence, let us pray for a world that yearns for new hope.

*(brief pause)*

L God of all, your children everywhere cry out for mercy. Awaken the global church to the urgent needs of our time. Break down barriers of culture and custom and unite people of all faiths in your redemptive and healing work. God, in your mercy,

**A  hear our prayer.**

L God of wisdom, we pray for our church leaders; our bishops Elizabeth and Yehiel, our pastor Mark, our president Dana, our council, and our justice ministries who guide and instruct our communities. Lord, in your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L God of wonder, the earth's beauty and abundance is your gift. Teach us your ways of sharing resources and caring for life. Guard fragile habitats, preserve the wild places, and protect endangered plants and animals. God, in your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L God of peace, you judge the nations. Beat our weapons into tools for serving the neighbor. Strengthen the resolve of all who work for an end to war. We pray for lasting peace in the land of Jesus' birth. God, in your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L God of community, you are present when we gather in your name. Guide congregations in transition or conflict. Give wisdom to congregational councils, call committees, and ministry leaders. Keep us alert to unexpected opportunities for mission. God, in your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

L God of loving kindness, you desire fullness of life for everyone. Fill those who hunger. Comfort the grieving and attend to those near death. Bring help and hope to any who are sick or needing your care, especially Steve Andes, Rebecca Bernstein, Serena Bernstein, Babs Deacon, Lucas Forzley, John Hancko, Marcie Heyl, Jim Jung, Judith Kratochvil, John & Nancy Lang, George & Betty McVey, Lorrie Roche, Merle Shearer, Darryl Simchak, George Swierczynski, and those we name aloud or in the silence of our hearts [...]. May those who have more than enough give generously. 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 of promise, your goodness is everlasting. We give thanks for the lives of the faithful, especially Andrew, Apostle and Francis Xavier, who now rest in you. We trust that you will bring us into the company of all the saints with rejoicing. God, in your mercy,

**A hear our prayer.**

P God of our longing, you know our deepest needs. By your Spirit, gather our prayers and join them with the prayers of all your children. In Jesus' name we pray.

**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.*

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

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



### **Offering Music/Anthem**

*"Lost in the Night"*  
Arr. By Kyle Haugen

*Lost in the night do the people yet languish,  
longing for morning the darkness to vanquish,  
plaintively sighing with hearts full of anguish.  
Will not day come soon? Will not day come soon?*

*Must we be vainly awaiting the morrow?  
Shall those who have light no light let us borrow,  
giving no heed to our burden of sorrow?  
Will you help us soon? Will you help us soon?*

*Sorrowing wanderers, in darkness yet dwelling,  
dawned has the day of a radiance excelling,  
death's deepest shadows forever dispelling.  
Christ is coming soon! Christ is coming soon!*



## Presentation of the Gifts 🤗 "What Feast of Love" (GREENSLEEVES) ELW 487

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



- 1 What feast of love is of - fered here, what ban-quet come from heav - en?
- 2 What light of truth is of - fered here, what cov - e - nant from heav - en?
- 3 What wine of love is of - fered here, what crim-son drink from heav - en?



What food of ev - er - last - ing life, what gra - cious gift is giv - en?  
What hope of ev - er - last - ing life, what won - drous word is giv - en?  
What stream of ev - er - last - ing life, what pre - cious blood is giv - en?



This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sun come down from heav - en.  
This, this is Christ the king, the sweet - est wine of heav - en.



Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the man - na giv - en!  
Oh, see and hear and sing! The Word of God is giv - en!  
Oh, taste and see and sing! The Son of God is giv - en!

### Offering Prayer

- L Let us pray.
- L Eternal God,  
you make the desert bloom  
and send springs of water to thirsty ground.  
Receive these simple gifts of bread, wine, and money,  
and make us messengers of your mercy and love  
for all in need of your healing and justice.  
We ask this through Christ our Savior.

**A Amen.**

## The Great Thanksgiving

**Dialogue** 🗣️ *The Assembly sings the boldfaced verses.*

The Lord be with you. **And al - so with you.**

Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

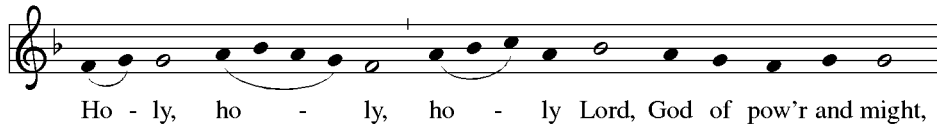
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

The image shows four staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. Each staff contains a melody line with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.', 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.', 'Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' The words 'And al - so with you.', 'We lift them to the Lord.', and 'It is right to give our thanks and praise.' are boldfaced in the original image.

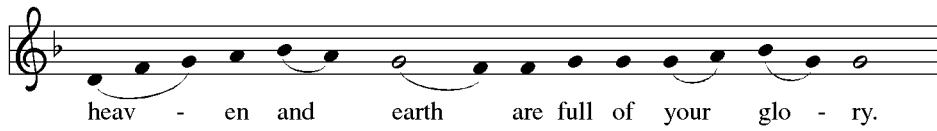
**Preface** *The Presiding Minister begins the prayer:*

**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.  
You comforted your people with the promise of the Redeemer,  
through whom you will also make all things new  
in the day when he comes to judge the world in righteousness.  
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:

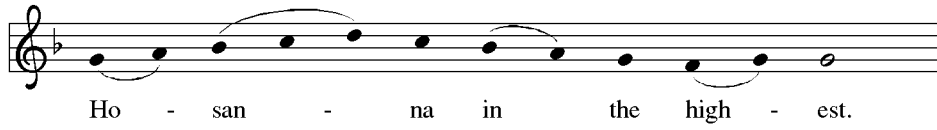
**Holy, Holy, Holy** 🙏 *The Assembly joins in singing:*



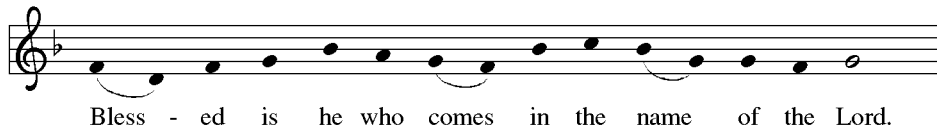
Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



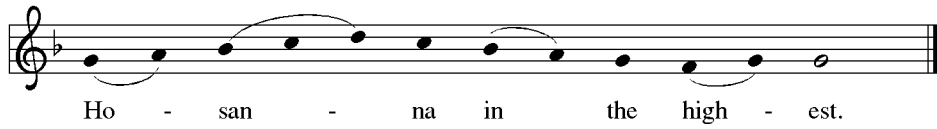
heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.



Ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Thanksgiving at the Table

P Holy One, the beginning and the end, the giver of life:  
Blessed are you for the birth of creation.  
Blessed are you in the darkness and in the light.  
Blessed are you for your promise to your people.  
Blessed are you in the prophets' hopes and dreams.  
Blessed are you for Mary's openness to your will.  
Blessed are you for your Son Jesus,  
the Word made flesh.

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.

Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:  
**Christ has died.**  
**Christ is risen.**  
**Christ will come again.**

With this bread and cup  
we remember your Word dwelling among us,  
full of grace and truth.  
We remember our new birth in his death and resurrection.  
We look with hope for his coming.  
**Come, Lord Jesus.**

Holy God, we long for your Spirit.  
Come among us.  
Bless this meal.  
May your Word take flesh in us.  
Awaken your people.  
Fill us with your light.  
Bring the gift of peace on earth.  
**Come, Holy Spirit.**

All praise and glory are yours,  
Holy One of Israel,

Word of God incarnate,  
Power of the Most High,  
one God, now and forever.

**A** 🗣️ **Amen**

### The Lord's Prayer

**P** Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**A** 😊



Our Fa-ther in heav-en, hal-lowed be your name,



your king-dom come, your will be done, on earth as in heav-en.



Give us to-day our dai-ly bread. For-give us our sins as we



for-give those who sin a-against us. Save us from the time of tri-al



and de-liv-er us from e-vil. For the king-dom, the pow'r,



and the glo-ry are yours, now and for-ev-er. A-men.

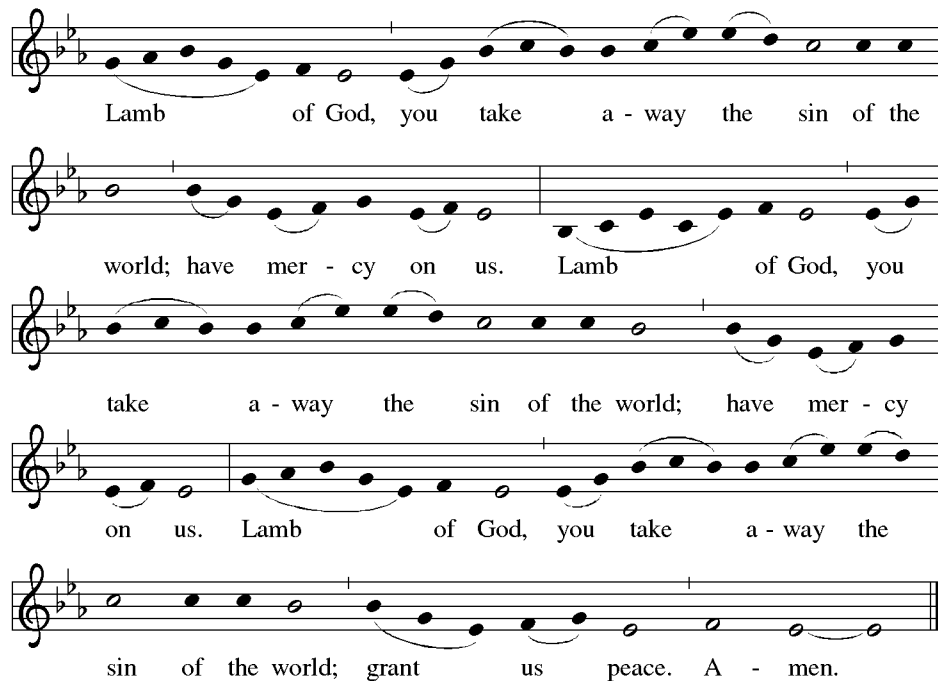
**A**

### The Breaking of the Bread and Invitation

**P** Be strong, do not fear!  
Here is your God, who has come to save you..

**A** 🗣️ **Thanks be to God.**

*The Assembly is seated.*



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the  
 world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
 take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy  
 on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the  
 sin of the world; grant us peace. A - men.

### Distribution of Holy Communion

*For those who are communing with the packets or online, the pastor will say "The body of Christ given for you and the blood of Christ shed for you".*

*Those who wish, please come forward as the ushers direct, to receive the bread from the Pastor and wine or grape juice from the Assisting Minister. The glasses will be pre-poured, with the grape juice in the inner circle and wine in the outer circle. Each person will take their own glass from the tray. The Assisting Minister and Pastor will remain masked during the distribution. Please keep in mind proper physical distance from other worshippers in coming forward to consume the elements. Empty glasses can be deposited in trays on the front pews. This will be a continuous communion, standing to receive the elements.*

P This is the body of Christ, given for you.

*All communing remotely or with individual packets may partake of the bread.*

P This is the blood of Christ, shed for you.

*All communing remotely or with individual packets may drink of their cup.*

*Refrain*

My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.

1 You will hear the trum - pet sound,  
 2 You will hear the sin - ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,  
 3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

*Refrain*

look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

*The Assembly stands as directed.*

**Blessing after Communion**

P May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ strengthen you, and keep you in his grace.

**A Amen.**

## Prayer after Communion

L Let us pray. Faithful God,  
in this meal you have remembered your mercy,  
bringing heaven to earth in the body and blood of Christ.  
As we wait for the day when all your promises will be fulfilled,  
sustain us and strengthen us by this holy mystery.  
Guide us toward your promised future,  
coming to birth in Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

A Amen.

## Blessing

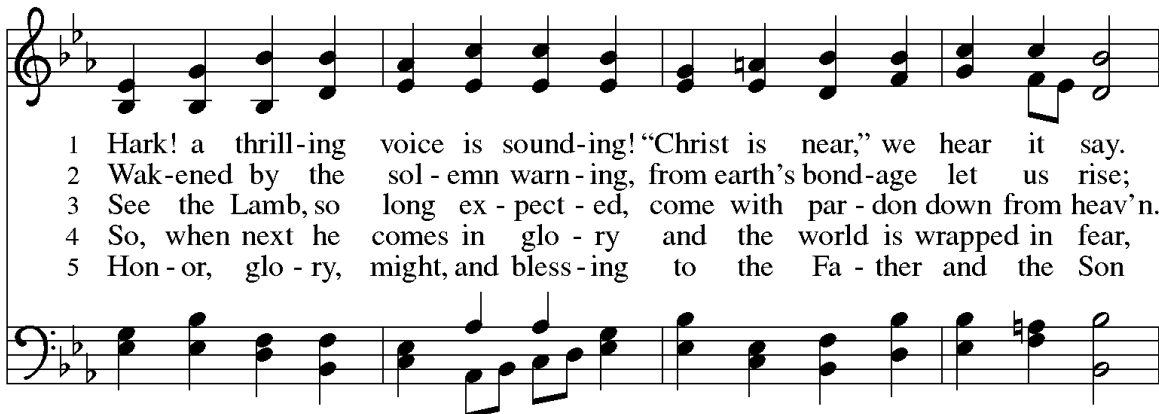
P God the eternal Word,  
who dwells with us in Jesus,  
and who holds us in the grace of the Holy Spirit,  
✠ bless you now and forever.

A  Amen.

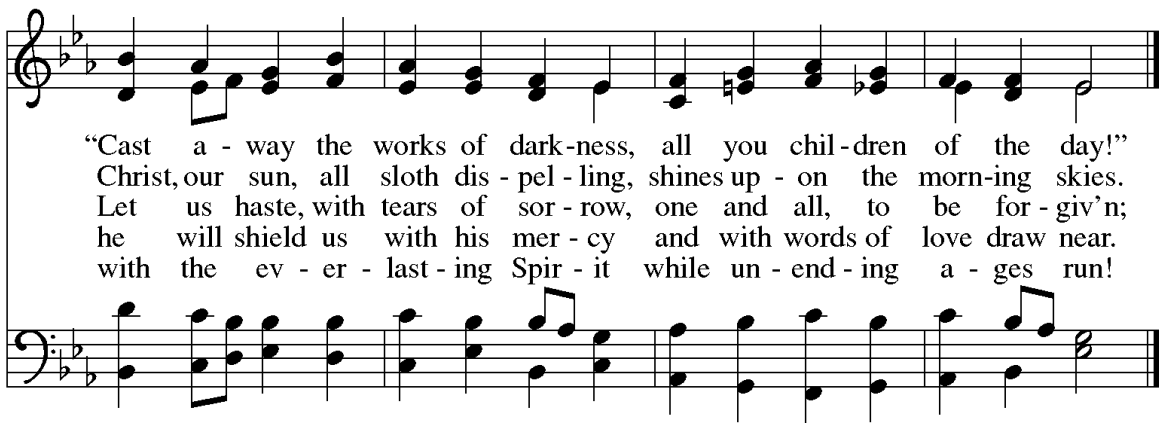
**Sending:** *God blesses us, and sends us in mission to the world ...*

**Sending Song** 

“Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding” (MERTON) ELW 246



1 Hark! a thrill-ing voice is sound-ing! “Christ is near,” we hear it say.  
2 Wak-ened by the sol - emn warn - ing, from earth’s bond-age let us rise;  
3 See the Lamb, so long ex - spect - ed, come with par - don down from heav’n.  
4 So, when next he comes in glo - ry and the world is wrapped in fear,  
5 Hon - or, glo - ry, might, and bless - ing to the Fa - ther and the Son



“Cast a - way the works of dark-ness, all you chil-dren of the day!”  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dis - pel - ling, shines up - on the morn-ing skies.  
Let us haste, with tears of sor - row, one and all, to be for - giv’n;  
he will shield us with his mer - cy and with words of love draw near.  
with the ev - er - last - ing Spir - it while un - end - ing a - ges run!



**Dismissal**

L Go in peace. Christ is near.

A  **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

“Wake, Awake, for Night Is Flying” BWV 645

By J.S. Bach

*Please stay for a time of fellowship immediately following the service in Fellowship Hall. You may remove your mask when eating or drinking and please continue to social distance.  
Refreshments today are hosted by the Brunch Café Immanuel team.  
Come enjoy one another’s company and this opportunity for extended fellowship!!*



**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. Carl L. Johnson
- Assisting Minister ..... Anne Heider
- Lector ..... Steve Warner
- Acolyte.....Kit McCarthy
- Organist ..... Christine Kraemer
- Music Director..... James Morehead
- Table Preparation..... Terri Simchak
- Zoom Host.....Jim McCarthy
- Audio-Visual Technicians.....Tom Couch, Kevin McDaniel, Tyler Heyl
- Ushers.....Joe & Terri Simchak

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## **This Week's Commemorations**

### **Andrew, Apostle**

#### **Wednesday, November 30, 2022**

The first of the disciples to be called by Jesus, Andrew quickly began to bring others to the Savior, including Simon Peter. The Bible also shows him leading some Greeks to meet Jesus, and he brought forward the boy with five loaves and two fish, with which Jesus fed thousands.

### **Francis Xavier, missionary to Asia, died 1552**

#### **Saturday, December 3, 2022**

A native of the Basque region of Spain, Xavier became a missionary to India, Southeast Asia, Japan, and the Philippines. He also helped to found the Society of Jesus (Jesuits).

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**Upcoming Events** – for details see the weekly e-blast, *Immanuel Newsfeeds*, or the website Calendar at [www.immanuelevanston.org](http://www.immanuelevanston.org). Worship services can be attended either in person or online.

Pr. Mark will be on vacation until Dec. 4.

Monday, November 28	FA Meeting	6:30 pm
Wednesday, November 30	Midweek Advent Evening Prayer	7:00 pm
	Choir Practice	7:30 pm
Thursday, December 1	Daytime Quilters	9:00 am
	Wilmette Band Rehearsal	7:30 pm
Saturday, December 3	Indoor Farmers' Market	Noon
Sunday, December 4	Sunday School	9:00 am
Advent 2	Sunday Worship	10:30 am
	North Shore Squares	1:00 pm



## Immanuel's Staff and Leadership

The Rev. Mark Sloss .....	Pastor
Dana Barron .....	Congregation President
Bert Mount.....	Congregation Vice President
Steve Warner .....	Congregation Secretary
Susan Ross.....	Congregation Treasurer
Diane Keely, Michael Kloster, Lisa Larson, Jim Skelton, Grace Yarnoff.....	Congregation Council Members
Mary Ann Kearns.....	Financial Secretary
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Jane Kaihatsu .....	Parish Administrator

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