

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE
DURING THE UPCOMING WEEK**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

8:00 Choir
9:00 Communion/JAM
10:00 Coffee Fellowship
10:15 Adult Bible Class
5:00 Boy Scouts

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

9:00 CF Quilters
6-8:30 Civil Air Patrol

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

5:00 Thanksgiving Worship

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

THANKSGIVING
OFFICE CLOSED

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

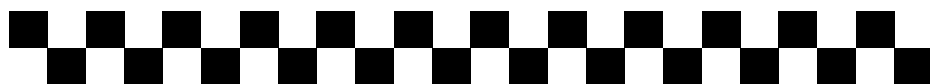
OFFICE CLOSED

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

5:00 Worship

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26

NO CHOIR
9:00 Worship/JAM
10:00 Coffee Fellowship
10:15 Adult Bible Class



**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN
CHURCH**

A fellowship of believers
Committed to be and become:
Christ-Centered
Bible-Based
Family-Focused
Mission-Minded

in all that we do for the glory of God!
Matthew 28:18-20

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Sunday Worship Service: 9:00 am
Saturday Worship Service: 5:00 pm

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH (LCMC)

November 18-19, 2023 Pentecost 25

Welcome

Call to Worship *Psalm 149* *on screen*
Gathering Hymn *"Now Thank We All Our God"* **LBW 534**

SAT: Confession and Forgiveness

SUN: Baptism of Kori Kate Petersen

Hymn of Praise *"Is He Worthy?"* *on screen*

Prayer of the Day

Scripture *Ruth 1:1-18, Matthew 25:14-30*

SUN: Children's Message

(Please sign the record of worship by the center aisle)

Sermon *Called to Faithfulness*

Hymn of the Day *"O Christ the Same"* **WOV 778**

SAT: The Apostles Creed **LBW, pg. 65**

Prayers of the Church and Offertory Prayer

The Great Thanksgiving **LBW, pg. 88**

Words of Institution **LBW, pg. 89**

SUN: The Lord's Prayer *by Angel Stern*

The Communion *"Give Thanks"* *on screen*

"The King of Love" **LBW 456**

"Beautiful Savior" **LBW 518**

Blessing

Hymn *"Let All Things Now Living"* **LBW 557**

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Pastor Phil Nielsen

Ministers: EVERY MEMBER OF IMMANUEL

	Saturday, 5:00 p.m.	Sunday, 9:00 a.m.
Deacon On Duty:		Vicki Strissel
Pianist:	Ivy Nielsen	Ivy Nielsen
Greeters/ Ushers:	Ken Hursey	Tim & Kristi Herbst
Acolytes:		Gavin Herbst Trevor Herbst
Lector:		Jan Applegate
Altar Guild:	DeAnn Nielsen	Peg Haas & Mary Taggs
Communion Servers:		Donna Nelson Kayla Jacobs
Fellowship Coffee:		George & Jan Applegate
Projection:	Alan Ahrenholtz	Teri Johnson
Sound Tech:		Kayla Weis
Videography:		Rick Chipman

CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE to notify us if someone is ill, having surgery, requires a pastoral visit. The hospitals do not call us. You may leave a message on the answering machine after hours.

OUR PRAYER LIST: Ken Vorm, Phil Miller, Judy Pedersen, Pam Jacobsen, Lorene Thiede, Richard Daberkow, Julie Vorm, Kayla Weis, Sandra Haney, Connie Benson, Bill Broveak (son-in-law of Ed & Sheila Mills), Wade Mills (son of Ed & Sheila Mills), Curt Olson (son of Sue Olson), Julie Duval, Grace Pauley, Margie Schenck, Sandy Hopper (Joey Hansen's mother), Josh Pedersen (son of Dave & Judy Pedersen).

THANK YOU to Angel Stern and Ivy Nielsen for providing our special music this morning.

OUR SYMPATHY to Duane Larsen and family at the death of his wife, Jackie. Jackie passed away on Tuesday, November 14. The funeral was here at Immanuel on Friday, November 17.

THE TANZANIA GROUP are selling cherry, apple and rhubarb pies for \$14. Pies will be available after church services or anytime during the week at the church, check with the church office. The proceeds will go to Kidugala for the orphans and other projects.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME! We are glad you are here today. Thank you for joining us in worship. You are welcome to join us for donuts, coffee and juice, and conversation in the fellowship hall after worship. Please sign the fellowship registers at the end of your pew by the center aisle.

WE CELEBRATE COMMUNION today. All baptized followers of Jesus who have received preparation for Communion are invited to participate. We believe that Communion is the reception of "the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ given with bread and wine instituted by Christ himself for us to eat and drink." Communion is a sacrament, a gift of the Gospel for the renewal and strengthening of faith. A person is well prepared and worthy to receive Communion who believes the words, "given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sin" because the words, "for you" require simply a believing heart. White grape juice is available in the center of the trays as an alternative to wine.

JESUS AND ME (JAM) Time is for children ages 3 through 2nd grade. After the gospel, children will be invited to meet the JAM leaders at the back of the sanctuary. They will meet back with parents at the coffee fellowship time. Parents are also welcome to keep their children with them during the whole worship service if they choose.

THANK OFFERINGS are this weekend, November 18/19. We remember that **God is Good** and we are **thankful** for our many blessings. We appreciate these offerings that are shared with a needy local group. The quilts displayed throughout the sanctuary have been made by our Mission Quilters. They have been given to Lydia House, Elm Crest, Salem, and the Avoca nursing homes as well as Care and Concern gifts to members of Immanuel with extended illnesses or knowing the comfort that Immanuel is praying for them.

WE WELCOME KORI KATE PETERSEN into the family of Jesus today through the promise of Baptism. Kori is the daughter of Dylan and Katie Petersen and the sister of Jack and Tyler. She was born June 29, 2023 in Atlantic. Her sponsors are Kari Palmer and Josh Travis.

ILCW Christmas Program (Tea) Just a gentle reminder to all who are planning to or wish to display your ethnic item(s) for the December 2nd ILCW program, please bring your items (countries of Norway, Sweden, Denmark, Poland and Germany) to the Fellowship Hall on Thursday, November 30th or Friday, December 1st. You may bring them at any time during the day. Cards for your item(s) will be available for you to fill out. (Country, item name, your name) For all the "set up" crew: if you have forgotten your "duty" or time, please contact Linda Mosher at 812-890-8494. All set up and decorating will take place on Thursday, November 30th. Thank you, and hope to see many of you December 2nd!

GRATITUDE SUNDAY We go with thankful hearts in our life often wanting to say thanks to someone, but the moment passes for lack of the right opportunity or perhaps we can't reach them at the moment and the opportunity escapes our grasp. Today in this moment is an opportunity to recall the memory and send a note of thanks that you have been carrying with you in your heart and mind. It doesn't need to be a literary masterpiece and perhaps you have been holding on to the thought for some reason but today, let it go, send an arrow of kindness with your words of thanks to someone whose life and actions have been a blessing to you. In this act of kindness and thankfulness you will bless them.

Here are some thoughts to help you recall a memory or to get unstuck in your saying thanks:

Perhaps an event that meant a lot to you, a specific task performed, the quality of their thoughtfulness, a willingness to help, another's courage that inspired you, sharing of their gifts of music, energy, acceptance, invitations, humor, compliments given, friendliness, appreciation of others.

Paul writes that we are to encourage one another and build each other up and this day with a little note you can do that. Acknowledgement and appreciation are wonderful gifts we all need.

You may deliver the note yourself or place it in the basket after worship for delivery by Immanuel Church.

THE CHOSEN is the most successful crowdfunded film or TV project ever. As of 2021 viewers have contributed \$40 million toward its production. "The Chosen" is about those first followers of Jesus. If you have seen it and would like to contribute toward future episodes, you may contribute to the production through Immanuel Church. Gifts labeled for The Chosen may be left in the church office in the next few weeks. (through Dec. 10).