

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church
Fifth Sunday after Epiphany
February 9, 2020 9:00am

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Worship Service at 9:00 am on Sunday and 11:00 am on every first Sunday of the month.

Service of the Word

Prelude

Announcements

Thanksgiving at Baptism

Gathering Hymn: “Gather Us In” *Lyrics provided* #532

Greeting

Prayer of the Day

First Reading Isaiah 58:1-9a [9b-12] *Bible in the pew* **pg. 600**

Psalm 112:1-9 [10]

Second Reading 1 Corinthians 2:1-12 [13-16] *Bible in the pew* **pg. 927**

Choir “We Rejoice in All Your Ways” arr. Bedford

Children’s Sermon

Gospel Acclamation **pg. 142**

Gospel: Matthew 5:13-20

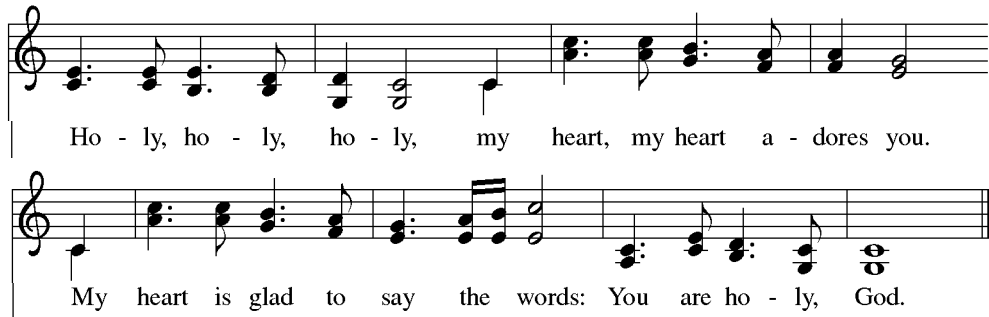
Pulpit Hymn “Rise, Shine, You People!” *Use hymnal* #665

Sermon Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras

Hymn of the Day “Christ Be Our Light” *Lyrics provided* #715

Prayers of Intercession

Let us pray by singing “Holy, Holy, Holy” #473



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly, my heart, my heart a - dors you.
My heart is glad to say the words: You are ho - ly, God.

The Lord’s Prayer

Sharing of Peace

Offering

Offertory “Lord, Let My Heart Be Good Soil” *Lyrics provided* #512

Offering Prayer

Blessing

Closing Hymn “This Little Light of Mine” *Use Hymnal* #677

Dismissal

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Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Barb Peterson, Pam (Rodney Riese’s wife), Kathrine Sylvia, Jezel, Joelle, and Odeh (Rev. Niveen’s family), Norm, April Winters, Brianna, Alice, Charissa Helling, Scott Kurth, Phyllis, Mary Knott, Ashley Nickolai, Laura Beckman, Joan Bergeth, David Schwarm, Sara Sopiesczyk, Jeff Groethe, Edie Smith. (Contact ILC office to update.)

Sunday, February 9, 2020 (Today) at 4pm. Wisconsin River Valley Conference Assembly, Saint Andrew (3200 N. Mountain Rd. Wausau, WI 54401 for your GPS; New Address 150202 County Road NN). You are encouraged to attend this conference. For more information please contact Pastor Niveen.

Sunday, February 16, 2020: LSS Sunday. Our guest will be Sarah Halstead, Church Relations Liaison for Lutheran Social Services. Sarah will share with us how your donations to Lutheran Social Services impact so many lives. Sarah tells us “I believe that every day we have an opportunity to share Christ’s love through LSS’s mission. There is no more important work than helping each person get a

glimpse of their infinite worth and identifying their part in supporting our communities.” Sarah will preach and lead adult forum in the fellowship hall at 10:30am.

Friday & Saturday, February 14-15, 2020. First United Methodist Church has invited our youth to the Youth Lock-In (Grades 6-12). Arrive 5:30-6:30m, Friday, February 14, 2020. Dinner will be at 6:30pm. Possible activities may include Nerf battle, role-playing games and cookie decorating. Specific activities are pending. There will be breakfast served on Saturday morning with devotional time after the meal. Depart between 11am-11:30am on Saturday. The cost is FREE. Please contact Pastor Niveen if you are interested in attending. The deadline to sign up is Friday, February 7, 2020.

Tuesday, February 18 – Friday, February 21, 2020: Pastor Niveen will be in San Diego, CA attending Congregational Vitality Training. If you need any assistance during this time, please call the office.

Sunday, February 23, 2020: We are having a Fat Sunday this year instead of a Fat Tuesday. Fat Tuesday falls on the Tuesday before Ash Wednesday. It is called Fat Tuesday because Tuesday is the last day to enjoy all the meaty and fatty delicacies you can muster up. Pancakes will be served. Volunteers needed.

Wednesday, February 26, 2020: Ash Wednesday at Immanuel Lutheran Church. Wednesday, February 26th, is the beginning of the Lenten season. You are invited to attend the Service of Worship for Ash Wednesday at 1:00 PM in the sanctuary. We will have The Distribution of Ashes and celebrate Holy Communion.



Wednesday, February 26, 2020: Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service with Distribution of Ashes and Holy Communion. Please join us at Grace United Church of Christ, 535 S 3rd Ave, Wausau, WI 54401, at 7:00 PM. Our church is joining Grace United Church of Christ, First United Methodist Church and First Presbyterian Church in observing Ash Wednesday. Four pastors will lead the service: Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras, Rev. Jayneann McIntosh, Rev. Rachel A. Wann and the host pastor, Rev. Julie Goranson.

Monday, March 23, 2020 – Thursday, March 26, 2020. Jackie will be on vacation during this time. Would you like to volunteer between 9am-3pm to cover the church office during those days? Please let Jackie know. Thank you!

Volunteer for Meals on Wheels! You can make a difference for homebound, older adults in your community. Volunteers deliver meals Monday-Friday from about 10:15am to 11:45am. Help deliver weekly, once every other week or once a month. Call ADRC (715) 261-6070 or visit online at adrc-cw.org.

- ❖ If you are a member of Thrivent, you are invited to donate your Thrivent Choice Dollars to support the ILC mission.

Olive Oil is Here! The 500 ml bottles are available in the church office for \$15.00. The purchase of this excellent olive oil supports the Palestinian farmers who are part of the cooperative. In addition to using it for your own purposes, it also makes a wonderful gift to give someone!

AmazonSmile! Immanuel Lutheran Church is now listed on AmazonSmile!. When you shop from this link: <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/39-0848220>, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Thank you for supporting Immanuel Lutheran Church.

Worship Services are on Charter Cable Channel 980 5:45 pm Tuesday & 9:15 am Thursday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)

Worship Assistants – Today				
Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras				
Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant (s)	Pianist / Organist	Reader (s)	Head Usher
Joanne Diestelhorst		Judy Kort	Vern Diestelhorst	Bob Doede
Greeters	Nursery	Video Recorder	Cantor	Acolytes
Clarence & Sally Johnson	Jamie Rice-Heckendorf	Jerry Nickolai		
Altar Guild: Kathy Knox		Contact Person: Jo Beckman		

Weekly Schedule		
Sun. Feb 9	9am	Worship Service
	10:15am	Coffee Hour
	10:30am	Adult Forum - Fellowship Hall: <i>How Do We Distribute Holy Communion in the ELCA?</i> Presented by Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras
Tues. Feb 11	5:30pm	Bell Choir Practice
Thurs. Feb 13	7:30am	Men’s Discussion Group
	9:00am-Noon	Lutheran World Relief Quilting Group Meeting
Fri. Feb 14		Church Office Closed

Attendance for 2/2/20: 52

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Address is: c/o Moruti (Pastor) Rev. G.M. Nkale, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa. Email for Pastor: nkalesto@gmail.com