



Welcome to
Immanuel Lutheran Church
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<http://www.immanuelwausau.org>
Sunday, November 17, 2024
26th Sunday after Pentecost,
Lectionary 33, Year B

Please welcome Kathy Robinson as
she leads us in Worship today.



Prelude

Announcements

Introduction

November begins with All Saints Day and ends in or near Advent, when we anticipate Christ's coming again. It is fitting, then, that the readings today tell of the final resurrection and the end time. In the turmoil of hope, fear, and disbelief that these predictions provoke in us, Hebrews sounds a note of confident trust. Christ makes a way for us where there is no way, and we walk it confidently, our hearts and bodies washed in baptismal water, trusting the one who has promised forgiveness. The more we see the last day approaching, the more important it is to meet together to provoke one another to love.

Please stand if able.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our refuge,
our delight,
our beginning and our end.

Amen.

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us
and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free.

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,**

following in the servant way of Jesus.

Amen.

P: These words are trustworthy and true:
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,
swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are **+** forgiven
and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again,
and rejoice in your salvation.

Amen.

Gathering Hymn

“We Praise You, O God”

#870

Greeting: “The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all” (2 Corinthians 13:14).

C: And also, with you.

Prayer of the Day

P: Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Please be seated.

First Reading: Daniel 12:1-3

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the

brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

R: Word of God. Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Psalm: Psalm 16

R: Please read responsively to Psalm 16

¹ Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;

I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other.”

² **All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,
upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.**

³ But those who run after | other gods
shall have their troubles | multiplied.

⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,
never take their names up- | on my lips. R**

⁵ O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.

⁶ **My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**

⁷ I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night | after night.

⁸ **I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken. R**

⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.

¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**

¹¹ You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are
pleasures for- | evermore. **R**

Second Reading: Hebrews 10:11-14 [15-18] 19-25

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³ and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶ “This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:
I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

¹⁷ he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

R: Word of God. Word of life. **C: Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the Gospel.

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia”

pg. 205

Gospel: Mark 13:1-8

P: The Holy Gospel according to Mark.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?” ⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray. ⁶ Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

P: The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

Pulpit Hymn

“When Peace like a River”

#785

It Is Well with My Soul

Message

Kathy Robinson

Silence for reflection.

Hymn of the Day

“My Lord, What a Morning”

#438

Please stand if able.

Apostles’ Creed

See the yellow sheet in the back of your hymnal.

Sharing of the Peace

P: The Peace of Christ be with you always.

C: **And also, with you.**

P: I invite you to share the Peace however you feel comfortable.

Please be seated for the Prayers.

Prayers of Intercession

Read by our Lector today:

Sue Schwede

Challenged by God's Word in Christ, let us pray for the church, the world, and the whole creation.

After "Merciful God," please respond with "receive our prayer."

A brief silence.

P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

The Lord's Prayer

Offertory Hymn

"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring"

#691

The usher will bring up the offering plate.

Please stand if able.

Offering Prayer

P: Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.

Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.

Amen.

Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,

✝ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Sending Hymn

“Canticle of the Turning”

#723

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ..

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

Attendance on 11/10/2024: 40

Prayer Concerns: Please keep Judi McGill in your prayers for current medical tests and upcoming surgery on December 9, 2024. (For updates, please contact the ILC Office)

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Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Pastor Elijah Lekwate. Email for Justice Pule: pulejustice74@gmail.com

Volunteers needed to Host Coffee Hours. The sign-up sheet is in the kitchen.

Serving us Today

Leader: Kathy Robinson

Organist/Pianist: None

Reader: Sue Schwede

Usher: Mike Schwede

Altar Guild: Kathy Knox, Joanne Distelhorst, Pattie Bricko and Holly Westaby

Welcome to Immanuel! We’ve been waiting for you! If you are interested in becoming a member here, please stop and pick up one of our Welcome packets on the table in the Narthex. We are eager to know you and we’re excited to share with you the marvelous ways God is working in our church.

The deadline for articles and items for the December 2024 Newsletter is **November 27, 2024**.

Draft Contribution Statements will be printed by **December 1, 2024** for your review. If there are any corrections or additions to be made, please contact the Church Office by **December 19, 2024**.

Immanuel: Open for Business...(God's Business)



If you haven't returned your stewardship "estimate of giving 2025" card, it's time to get down to business, your stewardship business, and turn it in. There is still time. Your cooperation is appreciated! It is a great help to the church council in planning the 2025 budget. Thank you to all of you who have turned their cards in. Your stewardship committee: *Rick Lohr, Jim Stolen, Neil Minson, Doug Helling, and Bruce Knox*

From the Church Office... The following devotional is now available: Large and small print Christ in Our Home and large print Portals of Prayer for January, February and March 2025.

Flowers on the Altar. Please inform the Church Office when you are going to place flowers on the Altar so that I can add it to the bulletin. Just let me know your name, if the flowers are in honor of someone and the date. Thank you!

Join us on **November 24, 2024**, after the service as we come together to decorate the church for Advent! We need helping hands to create a warm, inviting space for this special season. Everyone is welcome, and there will be a pizza party afterwards.

Thursday, November 28, 2024. Thanksgiving Day – Church Office is closed.

December 8, 2024, 9am: Christmas Cantata, Love at St Stephen Lutheran Church, 512 McClellan St., Wausau, WI 54403. Our own Joanne Diestelhorst will be participating.

Wausau Lyric Choir and Wausau Pro Musica proudly presents **Tidings of Comfort and Joy**. Our own **Karen Zuidema** is the Director/Wausau Pro Musica. This event will be held at the First Presbyterian Church, 406 Grand Street, Wausau, WI on **Friday December 13, 2024, at 7:30pm and Saturday, December 14, 2024 at 3:00pm**. In lieu of tickets, a free will donation would be greatly appreciated.

December 15, 2024, 9am: Christmas Cantata, Love at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 709 Weston Ave, Wausau, WI 54403. Our own Joanne Diestelhorst will be participating.

Blue Christmas Service, Monday, December 16 at 6:30 p.m. A



prayerfully cultivated service for those who have lost loved ones, for those who find the holidays to be a lonely time and for those who would like to spend more time in prayer. This service will have candle lighting, music, prayers, and a sermon. All are welcome. Here is the address: St. John Evangelical Lutheran Church, 5304 N 44th Ave, Wausau, WI

54401.

Join us at Immanuel Lutheran Church on December 24, 2024, at 4:00 PM for a special Christmas Eve Service! Celebrate the birth of our Savior with a beautiful worship experience featuring the Hand Bell Choir Ensemble. There will be cookies and coffee afterwards. All are welcome – bring family and friends to share in the joy and peace of this holy night.

We have been invited to the following Christmas Services:

- **December 25, 2024**, Combined Christmas Day Service (10am) at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 930 Edgewood Rd, Wausau, WI 54403
- **December 25, 2024**, Christmas Day Service (9am) at Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 709 Weston Ave, Wausau, WI 54403

Immanuel Lutheran Church was mentioned at the Wausau School District Board Meeting that started at 5pm on November 11, 2024. On their agenda was thanking various groups in our community for different types of donations. Thank you Immanuel Lutheran Church members who donated to the Coats for Kids Campaign. You can view the meeting online here:

<https://www.youtube.com/live/dND0RzivI3g?si=RqY6yERhZpeoKPHc&t=717>

Immanuel Lutheran Church will be adopting a family or two for Christmas. More details to follow.

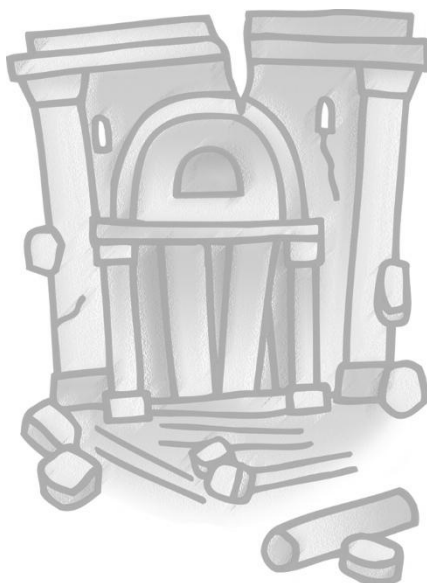
Now in its 25th year, the toy drive, “Kids Kount” has begun. Gifts are donated to children who have a parent in the Marathon County Jail over the Christmas season. In addition to toy donations, volunteers are needed to help with toy distribution, wrapping presents, and more. If interested, please contact Sharon of Greater Wausau Christian Services at (715) 842-5635.

Food Pantry Donations

The Neighbors' Place welcomes donations for their food pantry. They are especially in need of toilet paper, shampoo, lotion, laundry soap, dish soap, juice, beef stew, mayo, cookies, canned fruit, and sugar. If you would like to donate non-perishable foods or basic supplies, you may place them on the black cart next to the pew near the Gathering Room and they will be delivered to the Neighbors' Place.

The Men's Discussion Group meets Thursdays at 7:30 am, in the Koinonia room. New participants are always welcome.

Strong Bones Senior Exercise Group meets every Tuesday and Thursday in the old Nursery at 10:30 am. The class is open to anyone wishing to improve balance and maintain strength to prevent falls. New faces are happily welcome.



**NOT ONE STONE
WILL BE LEFT
UPON ANOTHER**

MARK 13:2