

***Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church***

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*Sunday, November 3, 2024*

*All Saints Sunday,*

*Year B*



*Please welcome Bob Henning as he leads us in Worship today.*

**Prelude**

**Announcements**

**Introduction**

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.

*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: have mercy on us.**

**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**

**“For All the Saints”**

**#422 v1,2,3**

**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.**

**Kyrie**

**Have Mercy On Us Lord**

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**Prayer of the Day**

**P:** 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.

**Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### **First Reading: Isaiah 25:6-9**

<sup>6</sup> On 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.

<sup>7</sup> And he will destroy on this mountain  
the shroud that is cast over all peoples,  
the sheet that is spread over all nations;

<sup>8</sup> he 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.

<sup>9</sup> It 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. **C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm: Psalm 24**

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

<sup>2</sup> **For the LORD has founded it up- <sup>1</sup> on the seas  
and established it up- <sup>1</sup> on the rivers. R**

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

<sup>4</sup> **Those of innocent hands and puri- <sup>1</sup> ty of heart,  
who do not swear on God's being, nor do they pledge by <sup>1</sup> what is false.**

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

<sup>6</sup> **Such is the generation of those who seek <sup>1</sup> you, O LORD,**

**of those who seek your face, O | God of Jacob. R**

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

<sup>8</sup> **Who is this | King of glory?**

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

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

<sup>10</sup> **Who is this | King of glory?**

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

### **Second Reading: Revelation 21:1-6a**

<sup>1</sup> I 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. <sup>2</sup> And I saw the holy city, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. <sup>3</sup> And 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;

<sup>4</sup> he 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.”

<sup>5</sup> And 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.” <sup>6a</sup> 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. C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand for the Gospel.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

**“Alleluia”**

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**Gospel: John 11:32-44**

**P: The Holy Gospel according to John.**

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>32</sup> When 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.” <sup>33</sup> When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was greatly disturbed in spirit and deeply moved. <sup>34</sup> He said, “Where have you laid him?” They said to him, “Lord, come and see.” <sup>35</sup> Jesus began to weep. <sup>36</sup> So the Jews said, “See how he loved him!” <sup>37</sup> But some of them said, “Could not he who opened the eyes of the blind man have kept this man from dying?”

<sup>38</sup> Then Jesus, again greatly disturbed, came to the tomb. It was a cave, and a stone was lying against it. <sup>39</sup> Jesus 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.” <sup>40</sup> Jesus said to her, “Did I not tell you that if you believed, you would see the glory of God?” <sup>41</sup> So they took away the stone. And Jesus looked upward and said, “Father, I thank you for having heard me. <sup>42</sup> I 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.” <sup>43</sup> When he had said this, he cried with a loud voice, “Lazarus, come out!” <sup>44</sup> The 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.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

*Please be seated.*

**Message**

**Bob Henning**

**Hymn of the Day**

**“Jerusalem, My Happy Home”**

**#628**

*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: Holy One, we remember in thanksgiving all those who have died.*

*A bell will be played after each name.*

Charissa Ann (Helling) Woods **Bell**

Pause

Dale Howard **Bell**

Pause

JoAnne Cerny **Bell**

Pause

Joan Bergeth **Bell**

Pause

Grace Berg **Bell**

Pause

Kenneth Strasser **Bell**

Pause

Esther Osterby **Bell**

Pause

Mike Mayer **Bell**

Pause

Carol J. Hazen **Bell**

Pause

Todd A. Kurth **Bell**

Pause

Wipe away our tears and comfort us with the promise of everlasting life in you.  
Lord, in your mercy,  
*receive our prayer.*

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**Amen.**

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

### **The Lord's Prayer**

*The congregation is welcome to light candles during the music in memory of all their loved ones.*

### **Offertory Hymn**

**“Soon and Very Soon”**

**#439**

*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.**

### **Benediction**

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

✠ bless you now and forever.

**Amen.**

**Sending Hymn**

**“O God, Our Help in Ages Past”**

**#632**

**Dismissal**

**P:** Go in peace. Follow Jesus.

**C:** Thanks be to God.

**Postlude**

**Attendance on 10/27/2024: 32**

**Prayer Concerns: We pray for healing and comfort for Dan Gibbons, brother of Jane Riley-Smith.** (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:** Bob Henning

**Organist/Pianist:** Delores K.

**Reader:** Sue Schwede

**Usher:** Dan Westaby

**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.**



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



Thank you to all of our faithful stewards for handing in their Estimate of Giving Card and charitable volunteer service survey. For those who haven't handed theirs in yet, there is still time. Please return the card to the church in person, by mail, or text or email a photo of the card to 715-846-3536 -

lohrfore@gmail.com.

Commitment Sunday and celebration coffee - - November 3



*It is that time of year!* Time to start thinking about Christmas, and that means it's time for Poinsettias! Let's beautify our church for the holiday season. The order form is on the Narthex entry table. There are three choices: Red, Red Glitter and White. 4" pot is \$7 and 6" pot is \$11. Orders must be placed by Sunday, November 10, 2024.

### 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.