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# ALL SAINTS' DAY Divine Setting Three ~ LSB 184 November 3, 2019

<u>As We Gather</u> ~ Saints Are Blessed in the Eternal Presence of Christ "A great multitude from all tribes and peoples and languages," cry out "salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne" (Rev. 7:9–17). Faith-filled saints from every place and time with unified voices eternally magnify the Lamb of God. As His beloved children, we too, "shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:1–3). Joined with the throng of angels and a myriad of saints, we shall "serve him day and night in his temple" (Rev. 7:9–17). In our earthly tension vacillating between saint and sinner, faith and doubt, sacred and profane, we earnestly seek Jesus to calm our fears, comfort our spirits, and forgive our sins. The Holy Spirit, through faith in Christ propels us forward, fortifying us in Word and Sacrament, to our eternal home. In the midst of our constant struggle as believers, we need to be blessed. And so we are. The poor in spirit, the meek, the hungry, the thirsty, the merciful, the pure, and the persecuted are all blessed and we will most certainly inherit the kingdom of heaven (Matt. 5:1–12).

### Announcements

(Please stand, if able)

### **Confession/Absolution**

LSB 184

LSB 904

(As the Cross, a symbol of our redemption, enters the sanctuary, God's people stand and fix our eyes upon it)

<u>Entrance Hymn</u> "Blessed Jesus, at Your Word" Kids Verses 1 & 3 Congregation Verses 2 & 4

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### <u>Kyrie</u>

LSB 186

# <u>Gloria in Excelsis</u>

# Salutation and Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

# C And with thy spirit.

P Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, You knit together Your faithful people of all times and places into one holy communion, the mystical body of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Grant us so to follow Your blessed saints in all virtuous and godly living that, together with them, we may come to the unspeakable joys You have prepared for those who love You; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

### (Please be seated)

# Old Testament Reading

1After this I saw four angels standing at the four corners of the earth, holding back the four winds of the earth, that no wind might blow on earth or sea or against any tree. 2Then I saw another angel ascending from the rising of the sun, with the seal of the living God, and he called with a loud voice to the four angels who had been given power to harm earth and sea, 3saying, "Do not harm the earth or the sea or the trees, until we have sealed the servants of our God on their foreheads." 4And I heard the number of the sealed, 144,000, sealed from every tribe of the sons of Israel:

12,000 from the tribe of Judah were sealed,

- 12,000 from the tribe of Reuben,
- 12,000 from the tribe of Gad,

12,000 from the tribe of Asher, 12,000 from the tribe of Naphtali, 12,000 from the tribe of Manasseh,

12,000 from the tribe of Simeon, 12,000 from the tribe of Levi, 12,000 from the tribe of Issachar,

12,000 from the tribe of Zebulun, 12,000 from the tribe of Joseph, 12,000 from the tribe of Benjamin were sealed. LSB 187

Revelation 7:1–17

9After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands, 10and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" 11And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, 12saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

13Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" 14I said to him, "My Lord, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

"Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence.

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore;

the sun shall not strike them,

nor any scorching heat.

For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

### C Thanks be to God.

### **Gradual**

### Rev. 7:14b; Ps. 84:5

These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation.

They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Blessèd are those whose strength is in you, in whose heart are the highways to Zion.

### Epistle Reading

1 John 3:1–3

1See what kind of love the Father has given to us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are.

The reason why the world does not know us is that it did not know him. 2Beloved, we are God's children now, and what we will be has not yet appeared; but we know that when he appears we shall be like him, because we shall see him as he is. 3And everyone who thus hopes in him purifies himself as he is pure.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

(Please stand, if able)

# <u>Alleluia</u>

LSB 190

### Holy Gospel

Matthew 5:1–12

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fifth chapter.

### C Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

1Seeing the crowds, [Jesus] went up on the mountain, and when he sat down, his disciples came to him.

2And he opened his mouth and taught them, saying:

3"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

5"Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

6"Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied.

7"Blessed are the merciful, for they shall receive mercy.

8"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

9"Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called sons of God. 10"Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11"Blessed are you when others revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

- P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

(Please be seated)

Nicene Creed

LSB 191

Sermon Hymn "For All the Saints"

All: Verses 1 & 2 Men: Verse 3 Women: Verse 4 Men: Verse 5 Women: Verse 6 All: Verses 7 & 8

Sermon 'Blessed are the Saints: The Truth of the Cross' Matthew 5:3-10

(Please stand, if able)

#### Offertory

LSB192

LSB 677

Following the Offertory, the people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and of the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).

(Please be seated)

### <u>Offering</u>

(Please stand, if able)

### Prayer of the Church

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT	LSB 194
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<u>Distribution Hymns</u> "Behold a Host, Arrayed in White" "Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness"	LSB 676 LSB 563
(Please stand, if able)	
Nunc Dimittis	LSB 199
Thanksgiving	LSB 200

Post-Communion Collect

# Salutation LSB201

### **Benediction**

Closing Hymn "Lord of Our Life"

LSB 659

(As the Cross, a symbol of our redemption, leaves the sanctuary, God's people stand and fix our eyes upon it)

# The Immanuel Spirit

**Welcome to Immanuel!** Welcome friend! The Bible tells us that "there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother" (Proverbs18:24). That friend is God. God is here to befriend us all. Reach out to God who is reaching out to us. Please join us for fellowship after the service.

**Guests:** Please sign our guest book, or a guest card in the pew and place in the offering plate before leaving.

**Scripture Lessons for next Sunday:** Exodus 32:1-20, 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 and Matthew 24:15-28.

Communion Statement: As we learn from 1 Corinthians, when we commune together we make a confession of our oneness in doctrine and understanding of God's Word. Since those who show publicly that they agree with the teachings believed, taught, and confessed by the Pastor and congregation at which the Sacrament is distributed, we ask that those who are not members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, or one of our sister churches to please refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. Instead, if you would like to receive a blessing, you are more than welcome to come to the altar rail and please indicate you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. A list of church bodies with whom we share Altar and Pulpit fellowship is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you would like to visit about this doctrine and practice, please talk to Pastor or an Elder. For further study on this matter see Matthew 5:23ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-39; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20 and 1 Cor. 11:17-34. Thank you.

ے۔ Thank you for all of the prayers, cards, and gifts during Pastor Appreciation Month, my birthday, and the death of my uncle. You are special people, and we are blessed to be here. May the Lord keep you ever in His grace. ~ Rev. Dr. Joel Koepp and Family

**Stewardship:** Matthew 5:6 – "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be satisfied." You only hunger and thirst for what you don't have. Jesus has come to fill us up with righteousness – His own righteousness. He is the self-giving Lord whose sacrifice inspires us to be givers, too.

**Sunday School:** Today in Sunday School, the children will study the efforts Abraham made to ensure that his son Isaac would marry a person who loved God in the account of "Isaac and Rebekah." As a family discuss, "Why is it important to marry someone who shares your Christian faith? What are the blessings of sharing your beliefs with your spouse?"

**Cleaning:** Household(s) responsible for the week of 11/3—11/9 is **Honold**. Household(s) responsible for the week of 11/10—11/16 is **Huedepohl**. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine (641-990-5985) no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

Building Healthy Families for Nov. 3rd: Child development experts say three A's are needed for a healthy self-esteem to develop in children: Affection—a sense of belongingness, of being wanted, accepted, cared for, enjoyed, and loved; Acceptance-a sense of worth, an inner feeling that I count, I'm valued, I have something to offer; and Approval-a sense of being competent—confident that I can perform a task, meet a challenge, cope with life. It's essential for parents to provide these for their young children but depending on others (including our parents) to meet these needs for us as we grow older is risky and ultimately doomed to fail. How about looking for and finding the three A's - always and forever without disappointment - here instead? John 1:12; 1 Corinthians 3:16; John 15:5. Lutheran Family Service is Iowa's only Recognized Service Organization (RSO) by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS) for Pregnancy Support, Adoption Services, Family Wellness, Mental Health & Marriage Counseling. Find help at Lutheran FamilyService.org ~Lutheran Family Service of Iowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900.

Life Quote for Nov. 3rd: "The same God who wonderfully formed you in the womb knows the number of hairs on your head. He will provide for you, and He will give you the strength and courage you need. If we fear God, we need fear no one else. You are not alone." Rev. Dr. Peter Scaer, Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne, Indiana ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www.lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour Ministries for Nov. 10th: Hear "For Such a Downer" based on Genesis 21 by Rev. Dr. Michael Zeigler. The cross of Jesus is not a downer, but it is an equalizer. If you think you're up on top and you're pushing others aside, the cross of Jesus will bring you down. And if you're down and desperate for some company, you have a friend in the crucified Jesus. ~ Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.

**Life Thought in the Church Year for November 3 – All Saints' Day:** Blessed are the pretty? Blessed are the popular and productive? Blessed are the self-sufficient? No! Blessed rather are the poor, the meek, those who cannot feed (Matthew 5:6) or defend themselves (Matthew 5:7, 9), for they exhibit just how much God gives and does for humankind. If He calls sinners His children (1 John 3:1) and makes saints of such as us (Revelation 7:9-10), how can mere age, appearance, or inability disqualify anyone else?

**LISTEN TO WHAT YOU WANT, WHEN YOU WANT...** Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL and hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken. This week's topics include: Parenting an Autistic Child, The Church Triumphant Hymn "Oh, How Blest Are They," Martin Luther's Father Confessor Johannes von Staupitz, 16th Century Lutheran Theologian Martin Chemnitz and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

### CONFIRMATION MEMORY WORK November 6th

5th/6th Grades Baptism: Where is this written?

7th/8th Grades Lord's Prayer: 5th Petition & Meaning



### Toot! Toot!

Here comes the Orphan Grain Train! The Evangelism board would like everyone to get on board. The Orphan Grain Train is looking for lots of different things.

A few of them are clothing (babies on up), bedding, bath towels, education supplies, kitchen accessories, medical supplies and clothing accessories. Copies of the complete listing will be on the hall table for your taking.

Things cannot have holes or stains and also no crosses or Christian symbols. They are selective because the boxes are subject to inspection in other countries so if things are not correct they will possibly throw all of it away.

Feel free to ask what is okay, if in doubt by talking to Dianna Kelting, Sandy Koch, Steve and Pam Haase and Pastor Koepp.

We will be collecting at this time until the end of November. You may place your donations in the entryway by the clock.

Thank you for your support!

Immanuel Lutheran is again participating in the Festival of Trees December 6th at the Drake Public Library. The Evangelism Board is collecting new colored socks size infant to adult, to use to decorate the tree. When the tree is taken down, they will be donated to the needy. Thanks! Board of Evangelism & Missions



# **SERVE THE LORD WITH GLADNESS**

### TODAY

Esther Huedepohl Joel McDonough Organist: Elder: Greeter: Stone Rich S. & Dale G. Ushers: Servers: Melissa M. & Kisite J. Acolyte/Crucifier: Joey & Elizabeth K.

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

Esther Huedepohl Steve Haase Thorpe Hutch K. & Dwight M. Kris G. & Dianna K. Ellie M. & Sloane M.

# Our Gifts to God (given at Immanuel) October 27, 2019

Attendance Holy Communion General Fund

51 N/A \$2705.00

BIRTHDAYS Monday...Marvin Stone Wednesday...Tim Baker & Richard Ford

# **WEEK AHEAD**

# TODAY

Elders Meeting	8:00 a.m.
All Saints' Day	
Christian Education/Bible Study	10:30 a.m.
Missions: MICA	

### MONDAY

Greek Study	1:00 p.m.
Board of Education	4:00 p.m.

### TUESDAY

Board of Evangelism & Missions4:15	p.m.

### **WEDNESDAY**

Windsor Manor Service	10:30 a.m.
Pre-Confirmation	
Confirmation	

# THURSDAY

Bible Study11:00 a.m.
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# **NEXT SUNDAY**

Council Meeting	8:00 a.m.
Third Last Sunday of the Church Year	9:00 a.m.
Christian Education/Bible Study	10.30 a m
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Dear Immanuel Families,

The Board of Education is beginning to plan for the Sunday School Christmas Program. We would like to know if your child/children plan to participate as we will be assigning parts at our November board meeting. We have included confirmands as we would like you to be a part of the program. We would like you to help with narrative parts and singing.

Practice Dates: Sunday, Nov. 24 10:15-11:30 Sunday, Dec. 1 10:15-11:30 Sunday, Dec. 8 10:15-11:30 Saturday, Dec. 14 @ 9:00 - 10:00 or 10:30 Christmas Program is on Sunday, December 15 at 10:30

We will be assigning parts at our November 4 meeting. Please let us know if your child/children will be participating by November 1. We hope you all can join us. We love working with your children and sharing the good news of Jesus!

Sincerely, Immanuel Board of Education