

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod



The Divine Service III ***The Second Sunday after the Epiphany***

January 18, 2026
10:00am

3000 West Main Street
Kalamazoo, MI 49006

AS WE GATHER

God's richest blessings on your worship here with us! This weekend we continue our series examining shame. This time we will be focusing on Shame stemming from insecurities about ourselves. Moses was unsure as to whether or not God picked the right man to go to Pharoah, and so often we wonder if God has picked the right person in us for our various vocations. In order to give reassurance to us God does not point to our talents and abilities, but rather to himself. How is God enough of a comfort to us when we are ashamed of our insecurities?

PRELUDE

SARA MCGARVEY, MUSIC DIRECTOR

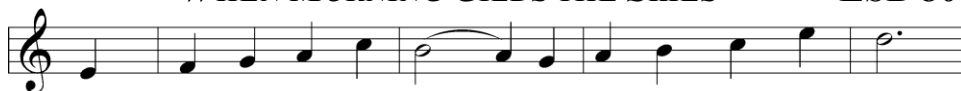
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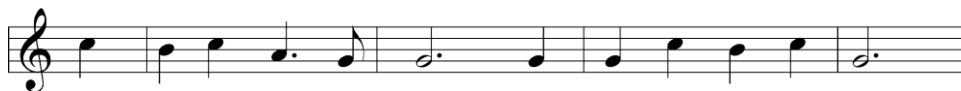
*ENTRANCE HYMN

WHEN MORNING GILDS THE SKIES

LSB 807



1 When morn-ing gilds the skies, My heart, a - wak - ing, cries,
2 When mirth for mu - sic longs, This is my song of songs:
3 No love-lier an - ti - phon In all high heav'n is known
4 Ye na - tions of man - kind, In this your con - cord find:
5 Sing, suns and stars of space, Sing, ye that see His face,



"May Je - sus Christ be praised!" When eve - ning shad - ows fall,
"May Je - sus Christ be praised!" God's ho - ly house of prayer
Than "Je - sus Christ be praised!" There to the e - ter - nal Word
"May Je - sus Christ be praised!" Let all the earth a - round
Sing, "Je - sus Christ be praised!" God's whole cre - a - tion o'er,



This rings my cur - few call: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
Hath none that can com - pare With "Je - sus Christ be praised!"
The e - ter - nal psalm is heard: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
Ring joy - ous with the sound: "May Je - sus Christ be praised!"
Both now and ev - er - more Shall Je - sus Christ be praised!

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***INVOCATION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Pastor: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

Cong: who made heaven and earth.

Pastor: I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

Cong: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

Silence for self-reflection

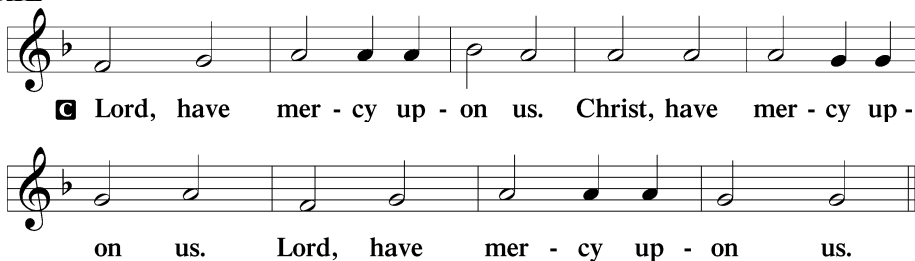
Pastor: O almighty God, merciful Father,

Cong: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

Pastor: Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Cong: Amen.

*KYRIE

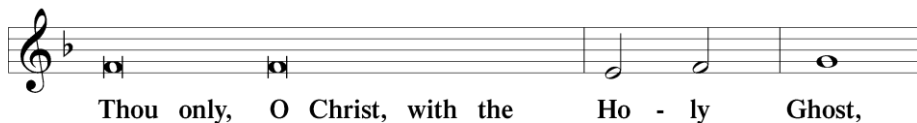
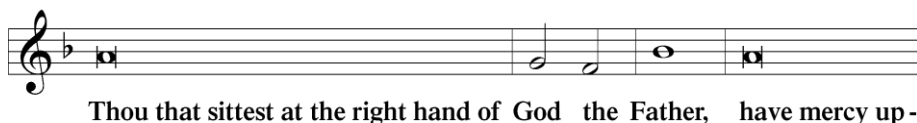
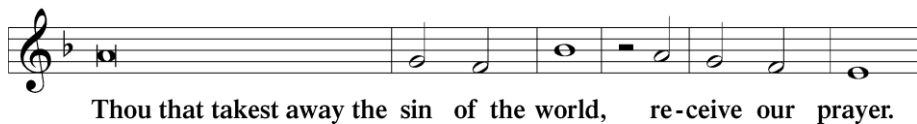
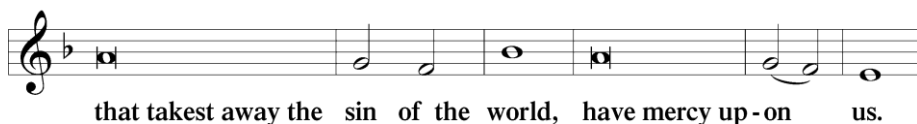


C Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

*GLORIA IN EXCELSIS



P Glory be to God on high: **C** and on earth peace, good - will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa-ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ;
O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,



***SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And with thy spirit.

Pastor: Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

FIRST READING

EXODUS 4: 1-17(ESV)

Lector: Then Moses answered, “But behold, they will not believe me or listen to my voice, for they will say, ‘The Lord did not appear to you.’” The Lord said to him, “What is that in your hand?” He said, “A staff.” And he said, “Throw it on the ground.” So he threw it on the ground, and it became a serpent, and Moses ran from it. But the Lord said to Moses, “Put out your hand and catch it by the tail”—so he put out his hand and caught it, and it became a staff in his hand—“that they may believe that the Lord, the God of their fathers, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you.” Again, the Lord said to him, “Put your hand inside your cloak.” And he put his hand inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, his hand was leprous like snow. Then God said, “Put your hand back inside your cloak.” So he put his hand back inside his cloak, and when he took it out, behold, it was restored like the rest of his flesh. “If they will not believe you,” God said, “or listen to the first sign, they may believe the latter sign. If they will not believe even these two signs or listen to your voice, you shall take some water from the Nile and pour it on the dry ground, and the water that you shall take from the Nile will become blood on the dry ground.”

But Moses said to the Lord, “Oh, my Lord, I am not eloquent, either in the past or since you have spoken to your servant, but I am slow of speech and of tongue.” Then the Lord said to him, “Who has made man's mouth? Who makes him mute, or deaf, or seeing, or blind?

Is it not I, the Lord? Now therefore go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall speak.” But he said, “Oh, my Lord, please send someone else.” Then the anger of the Lord was kindled against Moses and he said, “Is there not Aaron, your brother, the Levite? I know that he can speak well. Behold, he is coming out to meet you, and when he sees you, he will be glad in his heart. You shall speak to him and put the words in his mouth, and I will be with your mouth and with his mouth and will teach you both what to do.

He shall speak for you to the people, and he shall be your mouth, and you shall be as God to him. And take in your hand this staff, with which you shall do the signs.”

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM

PSALM 139: 7-16 (ESV)

Lector: Where shall I go from your Spirit?

Cong: Or where shall I flee from your presence?

Lector: If I ascend to heaven, you are there!

Cong: If I make my bed in Sheol, you are there!

Lector: If I take the wings of the morning

Cong: and dwell in the uttermost parts of the sea,

Lector: even there your hand shall lead me,

Cong: and your right hand shall hold me.

Lector: If I say, “Surely the darkness shall cover me,

Cong: and the light about me be night,”

Lector: even the darkness is not dark to you;

Cong: the night is bright as the day, for darkness is as light with you.

Lector: For you formed my inward parts;

Cong: you knitted me together in my mother's womb.

Lector: I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made.

Cong: Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well.

Lector: My frame was not hidden from you,

Cong: when I was being made in secret,

Lector: intricately woven in the depths of the earth.

Cong: Your eyes saw my unformed substance;

Lector: in your book were written, every one of them,

Cong: the days that were formed for me,

Lector: when as yet there was none of them.

**Cong: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

SECOND READING

GALATIANS 3: 23-29 (ESV)

Lector: Now before faith came, we were held captive under the law, imprisoned until the coming faith would be revealed. So then, the law was our guardian until Christ came, in order that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a guardian, for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

*ALLELUIA



*HOLY GOSPEL

LUKE 24: 36-49 (ESV)

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke the twenty-fourth chapter.



☐ Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

As they were talking about these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, “Peace to you!” But they were startled and frightened and thought they saw a spirit. And he said to them, “Why are you troubled, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? See my hands and my feet, that it is I myself. Touch me, and see. For a spirit does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have.” And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. And while they still disbelieved for joy and were marveling, he said to them, “Have you anything here to eat?” They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate before them.

Then he said to them, “These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses and the Prophets and the Psalms must be fulfilled.” Then he opened their minds to understand the Scriptures, and said to them, “Thus it is written, that the Christ should suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that repentance for the forgiveness of sins should be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things. And behold, I am sending the promise of my Father upon you. But stay in the city until you are clothed with power from on high.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.



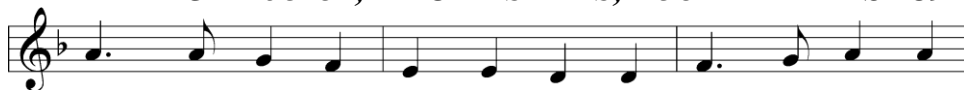
☐ Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

*HYMN OF THE DAY

O REJOICE, YE CHRISTIANS, LOUDLY

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1 O re - joice, ye Chris - tians, loud - ly, For our joy has
2 See, my soul, thy Sav - ior choos - es Weak - ness here and
3 Lord, how shall I thank Thee right - ly? I ac - knowl - edge
4 Je - sus, guard and guide Thy mem - bers, Fill them with Thy



now be - gun; Won - drous things our God has done.
pov - er - ty; In such love He comes to thee.
that by Thee I am saved e - ter - nal - ly.
bound - less grace, Hear their prayers in ev - 'ry place.

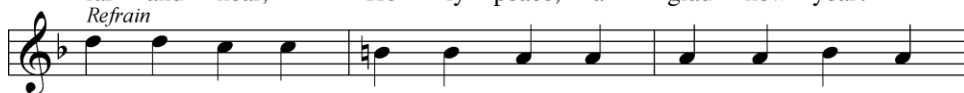


Tell a - broad His good - ness proud - ly, Who our race has
Nei - ther crib nor cross re - fus - es; All He suf - fers
Let me not for - get it light - ly, But to Thee at
Fan to flame faith's glow - ing em - bers; Grant all Chris - tians,



hon - ored thus, That He deigns to dwell with us.
for thy good To re - deem thee by His blood.
all times cleave And my heart true peace re - ceive.
far and near, Ho - ly peace, a glad new year!

Refrain



Joy, O joy, be - yond all glad - ness, Christ has done a -



way with sad - ness! Hence, all sor - row and re - pin - ing,



For the Sun of Grace is shin - ing!

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SERMON

PASTOR JOSHUA GROTELUESCHEN

Pastor: The peace of God, which passes all understanding, keep your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus.

Cong: Amen.

***NICENE CREED**

**Cong: I believe in one God,
the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.
And in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the only-begotten Son of God,
begotten of His Father before all worlds,
God of God, Light of Light,
very God of very God,
begotten, not made,
being of one substance with the Father,
by whom all things were made;
who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven
and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary
and was made man;
and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.
He suffered and was buried.
And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures
and ascended into heaven
and sits at the right hand of the Father.
And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the
dead, whose kingdom will have no end.
And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and
glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life ✠ of the world to come. Amen.**

***PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

Lector: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

We praise You, O Lord, for You declared it too light a thing that Jesus should redeem only the tribes of Jacob and instead made Him a light for all the nations. Fill our hearts with joy that He is the Savior of all, and grant that our voices may help spread Your salvation to the ends of the earth. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Heavenly Father, Your Son, Jesus Christ, summoned Andrew and Peter to follow Him and would later send them to bear witness to His name. Continue to call men into the holy ministry. Bless all who hold and study for that office, that they would grow in all godly wisdom and faithfully make known Your Word. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Almighty God, You faithfully watched over the tribes of Jacob, providing them both daily bread and redemption in abundant measure. Watch over the homes of Your people. Bless them with all that they need for this body and life, and preserve them in the glad confidence that Christ is their strength and their salvation. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Lord, guide and give wisdom to the nation and our president, the governor of this state, and all judges and magistrates. Protect those who serve us as firefighters, police, disaster workers and medical personnel. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Holy God, Your Son became the Lamb of God to take away all of our sins and infirmities by His death and resurrection. Remember all who are in need of Your help and healing, especially those on our prayer list and those held closely in our hearts (*pause.*) Deliver them according to Your merciful will, and preserve them in the certainty that their sins are taken away. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: Merciful Lord, You give us the precious body and blood of Your beloved Son for the forgiveness of our sins. Grant us faith as we approach the Lamb of God in this Sacrament. Enable us to keep in holy hearts what we receive upon our lips. Send Your Holy Spirit to keep us in this faith until Christ comes in His glory. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Lector: O Lord, our God, through Your Holy Spirit You work in us to bring forth fruits of righteousness. Grant us a steadfast heart in times of duress, strength amid temptation and the grace of humility, that we may not fall victim to pride and arrogance. Lord, in Your mercy,

Cong: hear our prayer.

Pastor: Almighty God, heavenly Father, grant that we who have celebrated the incarnation of our Lord, Jesus Christ, may die to sin and rise to new life, that we may treasure up and ponder in our hearts the Christ announced by Your forerunner; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

***PEACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

*Please greet one another with a gesture of peace, using these or similar words: **Peace be with you.***

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OFFERTORY

IMMANUEL CHILDREN'S CHOIR



*We ask our guests to review our understanding and practice of communion
on the back page of this worship folder.*

SERVICE OF THE SACRAMENT

***PREFACE**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

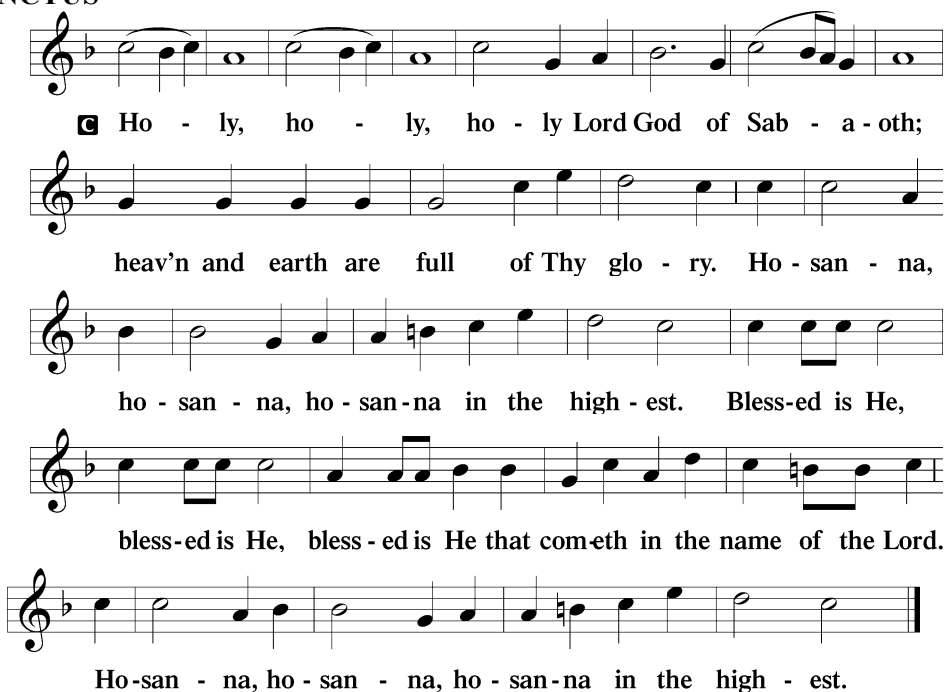
Cong: We lift them unto the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks unto the Lord our God

Cong: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Pastor: It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

*SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;
 heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,
 ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless-ed is He,
 bless-ed is He, bless - ed is He that com-eth in the name of the Lord.
 Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

*LORD'S PRAYER

Cong: Our Father who art in heaven,
 hallowed be Thy name,
 Thy kingdom come,
 Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;
 give us this day our daily bread;
 and forgive us our trespasses
 as we forgive those who trespass against us;
 and lead us not into temptation,
 but deliver us from evil.
 For Thine is the kingdom and the power
 and the glory forever and ever.
 Amen.

*THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

Pastor: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the disciples and said: "Take, eat; this is My ✠ body, which is given for you. This do in remembrance of Me."

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: "Drink of it, all of you; this cup is the new testament in My ✠ blood, which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

*PAX DOMINI

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Cong: Amen.

*AGNUS DEI ~ LAMB OF GOD

O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, have mer-cy up-on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak-est a-way the sin of the world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

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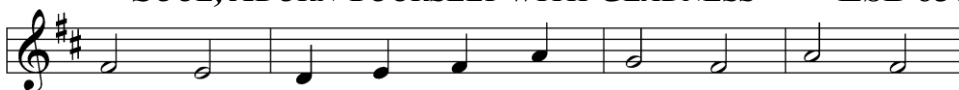
COMMUNION

{INTENTIONAL TIME OF QUIET MEDITATION}

COMMUNION HYMNS

SOUL, ADORN YOURSELF WITH GLADNESS

LSB 636



1 Soul, a - dorn your - self with glad - ness, Leave the
2 Has - ten as a bride to meet Him, And with
3 He who craves a pre - cious trea - sure Nei - ther
4 Now in faith I hum - bly pon - der O - ver



gloom - y haunts of sad - ness, Come in - to the day - light's
lov - ing rev - 'rence greet Him. For with words of life im -
cost nor pain will mea - sure; But the price - less gifts of
this sur - pass - ing won - der That the bread of life is



splen - dor, There with joy your prais - es ren - der.
mor - tal He is knock - ing at your por - tal.
heav - en God to us has free - ly giv - en.
bound - less Though the souls it feeds are count - less:



Bless the One whose grace un - bound - ed This a - maz - ing
O - pen wide the gates be - fore Him, Say - ing, as you
Though the wealth of earth were prof - fered, None could buy the
With the choic - est wine of heav - en Christ's own blood to



ban - quet found - ed; He, though heav'n - ly, high, and
there a - dore Him: Grant, Lord, that I now re -
gifts here of - fered: Christ's true bod - y, for you
us is giv - en. Oh, most glo - rious con - so -



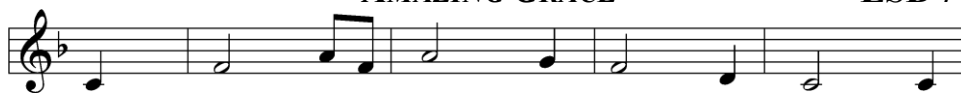
ho - ly, Deigns to dwell with you most low - ly.
ceive You, That I nev - er - more will leave You.
riv - en, And His blood, for you once giv - en.
la - tion, Pledge and seal of my sal - va - tion!

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AMAZING GRACE

LSB 744



1 A - maz - ing grace— how sweet the sound— That
 2 The Lord has prom - ised good to me, His
 3 Through man - y dan - gers, toils, and snares I
 4 Yes, when this flesh and heart shall fail And
 5 When we've been there ten thou - sand years, Bright



saved a wretch like me! I once was lost but
 Word my hope se - cures; He will my shield and
 have al - read - y come; His grace has brought me
 mor - tal life shall cease, A - maz - ing grace shall
 shin - ing as the sun, We've no less days to



now am found, Was blind but now I see!
 por - tion be As long as life en - dures.
 safe thus far, His grace will lead me home.
 then pre - vail In heav - en's joy and peace.
 sing God's praise Than when we'd first be - gun.

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DRAW NEAR AND TAKE THE BODY OF THE LORD

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1 Draw near and take the bod - y of the Lord,
2 He who His saints in this world rules and shields,
3 Come for - ward then with faith - ful hearts sin - cere,



And drink the ho - ly blood for you out - poured;
To all be - liev - ers life e - ter - nal yields;
And take the pledg - es of sal - va - tion here.



Of - fered was He for great - est and for least,
With heav'n - ly bread He makes the hun - gry whole,
O Lord, our hearts with grate - ful thanks en - dow

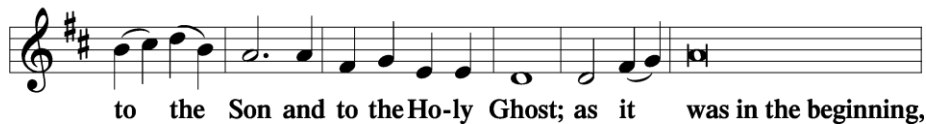
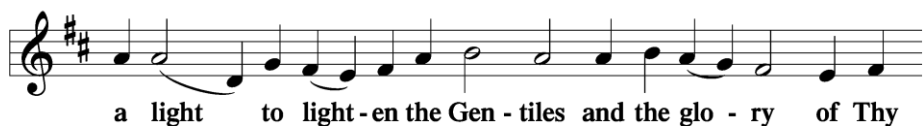
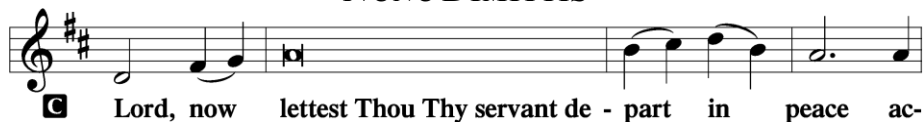


Him - self the vic - tim and Him - self the priest.
Gives liv - ing wa - ters to the thirst - ing soul.
As in this feast of love You bless us now.

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***POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE**

NUNC DIMITTIS



***THANKSGIVING**

Pastor: O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,

Cong: and His mercy endureth forever.

Pastor: Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Cong: Amen.

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

Cong: And with thy spirit.

***BENEDICAMUS**

Pastor: Bless we the Lord.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

***BENEDICTION**

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

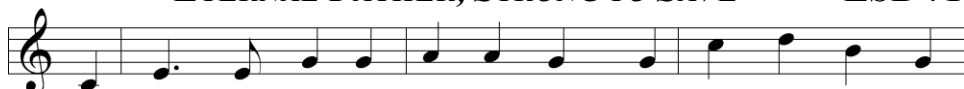
The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and ✠ give you peace.

Cong: Amen, amen, amen.

***CLOSING HYMN**

ETERNAL FATHER, STRONG TO SAVE

LSB 717



1 E - ter - nal Fa - ther, strong to save, Whose arm hath bound the
 2 O Christ, the Lord of hill and plain, O'er which our traf - fic
 2 O Christ, whose voice the wa - ters heard And hushed their rag - ing
 3 O Spir - it, whom the Fa - ther sent To spread a - broad the



rest - less wave, Who bidd'st the might - y o - cean deep Its
 runs a - main By moun - tain pass or val - ley low; Wher -
 at Thy word, Who walk - edst on the foam - ing deep And
 fir - ma - ment; O Wind of heav - en, by Thy might Save



own ap - point - ed lim - its keep: O hear us when we
 ev - er, Lord, Thy peo - ple go, Pro - tect them by Thy
 calm a - mid its rage didst sleep: O hear us when we
 all who dare the ea - gle's flight, And keep them by Thy



cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
 guard - ing hand From ev - 'ry per - il on the land.
 cry to Thee For those in per - il on the sea.
 watch - ful care From ev - 'ry per - il in the air.

3a Most Holy Spirit, who didst brood
 Upon the chaos dark and rude,
 And bid its angry tumult cease,
 And give, for wild confusion, peace:
 O hear us when we cry to Thee
 For those in peril on the sea.

4 O Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our people shield in danger's hour;
From rock and tempest, fire and foe,
Protect them wheresoe'er they go;
Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad praise from air and land and sea.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



ILLNESS/SPECIAL NEED:

GRIEF:

THANKSGIVING:

HOMEBOUND: Marian Brugh, Ellen Plano, John Curtiss, and Jerome Dirst.

IMMANUEL PRAYER LIST

LONG TERM CONCERNS

Rose Maxum , requested by Chuck and Amber Townsend	Susan & Gregory Fritz , Stephanie Beck's parents
Amy Stillwell , sister of Dave Reynolds and daughter of Mary Reynolds	Mary Ann Massey , friend of Dotty Smith
Bob Perri , brother of Phil Perri	Craig Rennhack , requested by Bob & Maryalice Reck
John Blasko , requested by Elizabeth Blasko	Mindy Mitchell , sister of Shelly Reynolds
Kyle Reinbold Family , requested by Kyle's sister, Sonya DeVary	James Leo Brown , requested by Shelly and Dave Reynolds
Karen McDougall , requested by Sue Steuer	Jim Sabo , friend of Susan Steuer
Katie VerKow , former member of Immanuel, requested by Phil Roekle	Lucille and Lawrence Fritz, requested by Jonathan Fritz
Vicki Dilley , requested by Christa & Phil Perri	Bill Brink , Christie Sidwell's brother
Joanne Cleason , Esther Cleason's daughter	Melissa , friend of Dotty Smith and daughter Laura
Marie Winberg , godmother of Bill Bennett	Hannah Bayer , requested by her father
Lisa and David Wentzel , Sue Steuer's cousins	Jerry and Sandi McKenzie , friends of Dotty Smith
Ware Washam , requested by Brian Long	Sandy Hale , requested by Stephen Presdorf
Caroline Barkow	Jeri Noneman
Gene Jennings	Kay Hecht , John Hecht's mother
Loren Gerber , Sue Anderson's father	Beth Mitchell
Sharon S. , requested by Dotty Smith	Charlie Miller , Marian Brugh's brother
Ruth Krueger	Jason , son-in-law of Sue & Craig Anderson
Deb , friend of Sue Steuer	Karen Petersen , daughter of Cathy & Tom Mollet
Sophie Rose Verile , Brindley's grandniece	Justin Nickels , requested by Justin Beck
Linda & Scott Spurlock , req. by Esther C.	Marilyn Borgeson , Annie Hecht's grandmother
Merry Linn , Sally Crawford's sister	Lynne Partridge , friend of Christa Perri
Mae Westphal , Vivian's & Wayne's granddaughter	Gus Reck , 3 y.o. grandson of Bob & Maryalice Reck
Thomas Nault , Sue Wagner's cousin	Otto , Pastor Quardokus' grandson
Candace Graham , former ILC member	Theo Yoakam , Cheryl Schreiber's great grandson
Kim N., Kim M., Emilie H., & Sydney B. , all friends of Kim Sharp; and River Lint	
All Crossroads Prison Ministry students from all congregations around the country	
Immanuel members: Gail Stewart, Dolly Bryan, Shelly Reynolds, Tina Lauer, Jerome Dirst & John Miller	

Worship Assistants/Serving Schedule

	Acolyte	Altar	Usher	Lector	Worship Assistant	Coffee Hour
Sunday 1/18/2026	Linus & Ezra Mandrick	Vivian Westphal	Ron Swinehart	Dave Mandrick	Denny Patzner & John Quardokus	Sue Steuer
Sunday 1/25/2026	Eliora & Cavion Beck	Patti Wills	John Hecht	John Hecht	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Amber & Chuck Townsend
Sunday 2/1/2026	Genevieve Miller & Rory Beck	Sally Crawford	Kim Sharp	Andrew Lustila	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Beth Mitchell
Sunday 2/8/2026	Maddie & Ellie Hernandez	Kim Sharp	Randy Horneber	John Krueger	Mark Miller & Andrew Lustila	Renee & Garvin Yorton
Sunday 2/15/2026	Cailyn & Kyrie Hecht	Amber Townsend	Ron Swinehart	Mark Miller	Denny Patzner & John Quardokus	Michaela Hernandez- Haw & daughters
Sunday 2/22/2026	Eliora & Cavion Beck	Jane Schley	John Hecht	Ninah Miller	Larry Baumgart & Craig Anderson	Rita Clarke
Wednesday 2/25/2026	NA	TBA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Sunday 3/1/2026	Genevieve Miller & Rory Beck	Patti Wills	Kim Sharp	John Quardokus	Bill Stewart & Ron Swinehart	Maryalice Reck
Wednesday 3/4/2026	NA	TBA	NA	NA	NA	NA

CHURCH CALENDAR

January's **MISSION:** Westwood Neighborhood Free Store

February's **MISSION:** Solid Grounds Ministries

SUNDAY	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
18 8:30AM CHOIR PRACTICE 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM COMMUNION SERVICE 11:30AM BIBLE STUDY W/ PASTOR	19	20 10AM WILLS' BIBLE STUDY @ILC 5:00-6:00PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	21	22	23	24
25 8:30AM CHOIR PRACTICE 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM COMMUNION SERVICE 11:30AM BIBLE STUDY W/ PASTOR	26	27 10AM WILLS' BIBLE STUDY @ILC 5:00-6:00PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	28	29	30	31
FEB 1 8:30AM CHOIR PRACTICE 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM COMMUNION SERVICE (IQBAL) 11:30AM BIBLE STUDY W/ PASTOR	2	3 10AM WILLS' BIBLE STUDY @ILC 5:00-6:00PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 5:30PM MARY/MARTHA 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	4	5	6	7
8 8:30AM CHOIR PRACTICE 9:15AM SUNDAY SCHOOL 10 AM COMMUNION SERVICE 11:30AM BIBLE STUDY W/ PASTOR	9	10 6:30AM MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST 10AM WILLS' BIBLE STUDY @ILC 5:00-6:00PM CONFIRMATION CLASS 7:00PM BAUMGART BIBLE STUDY @ ILC	11	12	13	10-3PM MARY/MARTHA CRAFT DAY

February 21, 9:00am: Adult Catechism class Immanuel Fellowship Hall

Have you been curious about what it means to be a Christian? Have you recently started coming to Immanuel and have lots of questions about what we believe? Has it been a while since you opened up your catechism? Do you enjoy conversations about God? Then this class might just be for you! Each month we will be exploring a different topic from the Catechism, or other religious topics to help us live out the Christian faith in our lives. They can be taken in any order, so do not fret if you miss the first one! The sessions will be as follows-

- ☐ 2nd article of the Creed and the Lord's Prayer (Feb)
- ☐ 3rd article of the Creed and the Sacraments
- ☐ The Bible, and the History of God's People
- ☐ World Religions and Worldviews (Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam, Catholicism, Protestantism, Rationalism, Nihilism)

This month we will be discussing the 2nd article of the Creed and the Lord's Prayer.

If any of these discussions sound interesting to you, join us in the fellowship hall February 21st at 9:00am. Let Pastor Josh know if you are planning on attending!



VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS ARE NEEDED

Volunteers work on the
1st and 3rd Saturdays from 9am – 1 pm
Or any Wednesday morning 9am – Noon

Donations may be dropped off during the above days and
times.

Contact Beth Mitchell for more information
@ (269) 626-5241

The Westwood Neighborhood Free Store is located in the
Kalamazoo Community Presbyterian Church
811 Gorham Lane

A note from Beth Mitchell:

“On behalf of the Westwood Neighborhood Free Store, I would like to thank the congregation for their support by naming us your Mission project for January. We greatly appreciate your financial support. We could also use your support with donations of household items including small appliances, dishes, glassware, linens, towels, etc. We are also in need of gently used clothing for school children. See above for when to bring donations or contact me directly and I can arrange for a time more convenient for you. Thank you so much.”

Beth Mitchell, President
Westwood Neighborhood Free Store
(269) 626-5241



*Please join us for
“Gallentines” Craft Day and Lunch*

(Everyone is welcome!)

On Saturday, February 14th, 2026
10am- 3:00pm



Come create with us!!

**Bring your crafting supplies
with you!**

To reserve your spot, please sign up in the narthex. Let us know you're coming and how many people will be coming with you. We are asking for donations of 3 soups, a dessert, and some bread, so if you can share with us, please sign up to bring those items.

(Feel free to invite your family, friends, and neighbors!)

SIGN UP TODAY!!!



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION

Our Belief and Practice

Our congregation believes that Holy Communion is a gift of Christ to His Church. Out of loving concern for the communicants and our understanding of the Holy Scriptures and the Lutheran Confessions, we request that those who commune here:

1. Be Baptized Christians.
2. Are mature enough to examine themselves, recognizing their sin and their need for God's grace. (*1 Corinthians 11:28*)
3. Believe that in Holy Communion they receive Christ's body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine for the gracious remission of their sins. (*Matthew 26:26-28*)
3. Do so without giving offense to others. (i.e., Willing to forgive and be reconciled) (*Matthew 18:15-17*)

Guests of the congregation, who are instructed in Luther's Small Catechism, are welcome to receive Holy Communion. All others are asked to speak with the pastor regarding the sacrament. Non-communing children may join their parents. Communicants may choose from the Common Cup or individual cups.

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