

Welcome to
Immanuel Lutheran Church
A Congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

First Sunday in Advent
December 1, 2024



*“Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord!
Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!” (Luke 19:38)*

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Rev. David Frederickson, Guest Pastor

Bulletin Dedication

Jesus said, “I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live.” (John 11:25). Today’s bulletin is dedicated to the glory of God in loving memory of James “Jamie” Luckstein, son of Don and Becky Luckstein. He was born on September 13, 1977, and died on December 4, 2002. May God comfort and strengthen all those who are missing loved ones during the holiday season. We take comfort in our loving God who gave us the greatest gift in His Son, Jesus, who died for sinners that they would live forgiven and redeemed in time and for eternity.

Welcome to Immanuel! We ask everyone to please fill out a white postcard-sized Communication/Communion Card, placed at the entrances.

>> **Members**, please fill out the Communion Card to inform the church office of your attendance today and any needed prayers and visits.

>> **Guests**, please fill out the card with your name and address. Place in the offering plate, hand to an usher or elder, or drop in the basket as you come forward for Holy Communion. If desiring to commune, please visit with the pastor (see Communion statement below) and note your home congregation. We hope you have enjoyed our worship service, and we invite you to join us again soon.

Holy Communion Statement

The Lord’s Supper is celebrated in the confession and glad confidence that, as He says, our Lord gives into our mouths not only bread and wine but His very body and blood to eat and to drink for the forgiveness of sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to His table those who trust His words, repent of all sin, and set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He forgives and loves us.

Because those who eat and drink our Lord’s body and blood unworthily do so to their great harm and because Holy Communion is a confession of the faith which is confessed at this altar, any who are not yet instructed, in doubt, or who hold a confession differing from that of this congregation and The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod, and yet desire to receive this sacrament, are asked to first speak with the pastor.

For our communicants: gluten-free host is available along with grape juice in the center of the individual cups for those who have allergies or sensitivities to those respective elements. Please request it as you approach the pastor or the elder.

Our Mission

Immanuel Lutheran Church exists to spread the Gospel in its truth and purity through Word and Sacraments in accordance with the Confession of The Lutheran Church–Missouri Synod. Immanuel Lutheran School exists to share the Gospel, so children become disciples of Jesus.

Busy Bags: Available at the entrance are ‘Busy Bags’ = activity bags of color crayons/books, for any child. Borrow and use them for the service and return them to their hook for the next time!

Liturgy: Setting Four, page 203

Sermon Theme: Expectation

Sermon Text: The Lord is our Righteousness! - Jeremiah 33:14-16

Hymns:

331 – The Advent of Our King

343 – Prepare the Royal Highway

332 – Savior of the Nations, Come

340 – Lift Up Your Heads, Ye Mighty Gates

350 – Come, Thou Precious Ransom, Come

Organist: Carmen Zuelsdorff

Elder & Ushers: 8:00 am: Bob Walkes, Jim Larson

10:15 am: Brent Wohlers, Eugene Schnell

Acolyte/cross bearer: 8:00 am: Roenik Walters

10:15 am: Allie Miller

December Altar Duty: Don & Becky Luckstein, Tom & Lisa Hoekstra

OUR OFFERING OF WORSHIP

Sunday, November 24: 220

OUR OFFERING OF MATERIAL GIFTS

Sunday, November 24: \$10,652.33

OUR OFFERING OF PRAYER AND THANKSGIVING

Those known to be hospitalized: *Glen Zabel (Green Prairie Rehab)*. For any prayer requests wanted on the Congregational Prayer Chain, or in public worship services, call the church office (534-3700) or Kim Zabel (507) 272-6301 or E-mail office@immanuelplainview.org

God's richest blessing on those celebrating birthdays this week

December 2: Abigail O'Reilly, Ashley Klassen

December 3: Cody Irish

December 5: Ellie Radel, James Miller, Alicia VanSchaick

December 6: Veda Klassen, Cari Michaelis, Marjorie Neumann

December 7: David Doane, Steven Schulz

Luke 19:31 – “If anyone asks you, ‘Why are you untying it?’ you shall say this: ‘The Lord has need of it.’” Consider the faithfulness of that man who owned the donkey and colt. All he needed to hear was, “The Lord has need of it,” and he willingly gave. The Lord has given each of us various callings in life (in our homes, in the church and in the communities we live in). In each calling we have good work to do, which comes from the Lord’s hand. The Lord has need of us in each calling. How is He calling you to generous giving in each of your vocations?

Memory Verse Challenge

Try to memorize this Bible verse this week!

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come.

2 Corinthians 5:17