

“How awesome is this place! This is none other than the house of God, and this is the gate of heaven.” (Genesis 28:17)

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church & School! In the Divine Service, we enter our Lord’s presence to be served by Him through Word & Sacrament. The service is not something we do for God. The liturgy is God’s work to bless and enliven us: He gives, we receive (Hebrews 8:1-6).

Today we celebrate the Lord’s Supper, in which we receive Christ’s Body and Blood under the forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of sins (1 Corinthians 11:22-25). As we celebrate this sacrament, we also give public confession to our unity in the Christian faith (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Visitors who have not received Communion from Pastor Akers or Pastor Beinke are kindly asked to speak with one of them before approaching the altar for the first time. Children and adults who are not eligible for the Holy Communion may cross their arms, placing both hands on their shoulders, to indicate they would like to receive a blessing.

ORGAN VOLUNTARIES		
Prelude:	“What Is the World to Me”	Albert Beck
Offertory:	“Old 124 th , abbr.”	sett. by Robert J. Powell
Postlude:	“Postlude on ‘Slane”	Edward Broughton

INTROIT *Ecce Deus adiuvat me* *Psalm 54:4-5, 1*



Behold, God is mine | helper:
The Lord is with them that up- | hold my soul.
He shall reward evil unto mine | enemies:
Cut them off in Thy truth, O | Lord my shield.
Save me, O God, | by Thy name,
And judge me | by Thy strength.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

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COLLECT
Let Thy merciful ears, O Lord, be open to the prayers of Thy humble servants: and that they may obtain their petitions: make them to ask such things as shall please Thee; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord, who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Ghost, ever one God, world without end.

PROPHECY *Proverbs 16:1-9*
THE PREPARATIONS of the heart belong to man,
But the answer of the tongue is from the LORD.
All the ways of a man are pure in his own eyes,
But the LORD weighs the spirits.
Commit your works to the LORD,
And your thoughts will be established.
The LORD has made all for Himself,
Yes, even the wicked for the day of doom.
Everyone proud in heart is an abomination to the LORD;
Though they join forces, none will go unpunished.
In mercy and truth
Atonement is provided for iniquity;
And by the fear of the LORD one departs from evil.
When a man’s ways please the LORD,
He makes even his enemies to be at peace with him.
Better is a little with righteousness,
Than vast revenues without justice.
A man’s heart plans his way,
But the LORD directs his steps.

GRADUAL *Domine Dominus noster* *Psalm 8:1; Psalm 78:1a*



O | LORD our Lord,
How excellent is Thy name in | all the earth!
Who hast set Thy | glory
Above the | heavens.
Alleluia, Alleluia. Give ear, O My | people,
To My law. Alle- | luia.

DIVINE SERVICE SETTING THREE	
LUTHERAN SERVICE BOOK PG. 184	
HYMN OF INVOCATION	#902
“Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now”	
CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION	
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COLLECT *	
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ALLELUIA	
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HYMN OF THE DAY	#730
“What Is the World to Me”	
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DISTRIBUTION HYMNS	
“Draw Near and Take the Body...”	
“Lord of All Hopefulness”	
“Jesus, Priceless Treasure”	
NUNC DIMITTIS—BENEDICTION	
CLOSING HYMN	#714
“Who Trusts in God a Strong Abode”	

* See inside of bulletin

EPISTLE

1 Corinthians 10:6b-13

BRETHREN: We should not lust after evil things as our fathers lusted. And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.” Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty-three thousand fell; nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents; nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the destroyer. Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.

Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

HOLY GOSPEL

Luke 16:1-9

AT THAT TIME, Jesus spoke this parable to His disciples: “There was a certain rich man who had a steward, and an accusation was brought to him that this man was wasting his goods. So he called him and said to him, ‘What is this I hear about you? Give an account of your stewardship, for you can no longer be steward.’

“Then the steward said within himself, ‘What shall I do? For my master is taking the stewardship away from me. I cannot dig; I am ashamed to beg. I have resolved what to do, that when I am put out of the stewardship, they may receive me into their houses.’

“So he called every one of his master’s debtors to him, and said to the first, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ And he said, ‘A hundred measures of oil.’ So he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and sit down quickly and write fifty.’ Then he said to another, ‘And how much do you owe?’ So he said, ‘A hundred measures of wheat.’ And he said to him, ‘Take your bill, and write eighty.’ So the master commended the unjust steward because he had dealt shrewdly. For the sons of this world are more shrewd in their generation than the sons of light.

“And I say to you, make friends for yourselves by unrighteous mammon, that when you fail, they may receive you into an everlasting home.”

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