

# **Immanuel Evangelical Lutheran Church**

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**First Sunday in Advent**

28 November Anno Domini 2021

November 28, 2021 **First Sunday in Advent**

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**Opening Hymn**                      **"Praise Be to God"**                      (insert)  
(To the tune of Hymn # 349)

**Invocation** (stand)

**Confession and Absolution** (stand)                      **Page 151**

**Introit**                                              Psalm 89:6, 14-16; antiphon: Zechariah 9:9b

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

Who in the skies can be compared to the Lord?

**Who among the heavenly beings is like the Lord.**

Righteousness and justice are the foundation of your throne;

**steadfast love and faithfulness go before you.**

Blessed are the people who know the festal shout,

**who walk, O Lord, in the light of your face,**

who exult in your name all the day

**and in your righteousness are exalted.**

For our shield belongs to the Lord,

**our king to the Holy One of Israel.**

**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.**

Behold, your king is coming to you;

**righteous and having salvation.**

**Kyrie**                                              **Page 152 - 153**

**Salutation and Collect of the Day**                      **Page 156**

Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Scripture Readings**                      (response: "Thanks be to God.")

**Old Testament Reading**                      **Jeremiah 33:14-16**

"Behold, the days are coming, declares the LORD, when I will fulfill the promise I made to the house of Israel and the house of Judah. In those days and at that time I will cause a righteous Branch to spring up for David, and he shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In those days Judah will be saved, and Jerusalem will dwell securely. And this is the name by which it will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

**Gradual:**

Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Behold, your king is coming to you; righteous and having salvation. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. From the house of the Lord we bless you.

**Epistle Reading**

**1 Thessalonians 3:9-13**

For what thanksgiving can we return to God for you, for all the joy that we feel for your sake before our God, as we pray most earnestly night and day that we may see you face to face and supply what is lacking in your faith?

Now may our God and Father himself, and our Lord Jesus, direct our way to you, and may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

**Alleluia and Verse** (stand)

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**Holy Gospel**

**John 15:1-17**

**"Glory to You, O Lord"**

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"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you. Abide in my love. If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love. These things I have spoken to you, that my joy may be in you, and that your joy may be full.

"This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends if you do what I command you. No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you. You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. These things I command you, so that you will love one another.

**Sermon Hymn**

**"O Come, Thou Bread of Life"**

(insert)

(To the tune of # 357)

Sermon

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Prayers of the Church

Offertory

Create in Me

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Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from your presence and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation and uphold me with your free Spirit

Service of the Sacrament

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Distribution Hymns

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Canticle

"Thank the Lord"

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Closing Hymn

"Abide with Me"

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Announcements

The Eternal Light shines from Greg & Tracey Beaver in loving memory of Parker James Beaver.  
The Eternal Light shines in memory of Gladys Westrem from her family.

Please join us after Worship for Adult Bible Study, held in the library. We will discuss the text of Pastor's sermon in greater detail.

**Confirmation Parents Workshop** will be at approximately 11AM today.

Wednesdays at 9 AM, the Ladies Bible Group meets in the church library to study God's Word.

**Mid-week Advent Worship** will be at 6:30 PM, Wednesday, December 1.

**Rachel Circle** will serve a light supper beginning at 5:30 PM.

**Men's Club** will meet Thursday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7 PM. This is a great opportunity for food, fellowship and being together to study God's Word,

Blessings to those who are **celebrating birthdays** Nov. 28 - Dec 4:

Sharon Stohr, Willow Schulz, Nancy Woods, and Brinley Trettin.

Blessings to those **celebrating wedding anniversaries**:

Alan & Marilyn Schmidt, John & Lu Groth, and Diane & Lynn Luepke.

**From Bev Wolff:** "Thank you to all who volunteered their time delivering Meals on Wheels in November. Your help is greatly appreciated."

Rachel Circle will meet Monday, December 13<sup>th</sup>.

This Week at Immanuel - November 28 - December 5, 2021

Today            9:00 AM        Worship and Holy Communion  
                     10:00 AM        Sunday school

	10:00 AM	Fellowship
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Ladies Bible Group
Dec. 1	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>Supper - served by Rachel Circle</b>
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	<b>Mid-week Advent Worship</b>
Thursday	5:15 PM	Tai Chi for Health
	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>Men's Club</b>
Next Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship with Holy Communion
	10:00 AM	Sunday school
	10:00 AM	Fellowship
	10:30 AM	Adult Bible Study

Those serving us today:

Elders:	Richard Dieterich, Rick Marcks, Bruce Gerdts, Keith Horgen
Organist	Sharon Stohr
Sound System:	Jonathan Pahl
Altar Guild:	Lisa Groth, Sharon Groth

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**Communion Statement:**

The Lord's Supper is being celebrated in our service today. In love we ask anyone who is not a communicant member in good standing of an LCMS congregation to speak with the pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. Thank you