



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
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FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT
DECEMBER 22, 2024

HYMN - 333 “O Little Town of Bethlehem”

We follow Setting One on page 154.

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GLORY BE TO GOD

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Stir up your power, O Lord, and come. Take away the burden of our sins, and make us ready for the celebration of your birth, that we may receive you in joy and serve you always; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING – Micah 5:2-5

² “But you, Bethlehem Ephrathah,
though you are small among the clans of Judah,
out of you will come for me
one who will be ruler over Israel,
whose origins are from of old,
from ancient times.”

³ Therefore Israel will be abandoned
until the time when she who is in labor bears a son,
and the rest of his brothers return
to join the Israelites.

⁴ He will stand and shepherd his flock
in the strength of the Lord,
in the majesty of the name of the Lord his God.

And they will live securely, for then his greatness
will reach to the ends of the earth.

⁵ And he will be our peace.

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SECOND READING – Hebrews 10:5-10

⁵ Therefore, when Christ came into the world, he said:

“Sacrifice and offering you did not desire,
but a body you prepared for me;

⁶ with burnt offerings and sin offerings
you were not pleased.

⁷ Then I said, ‘Here I am—it is written about me in the scroll—
I have come to do your will, my God.’”

⁸ First he said, “Sacrifices and offerings, burnt offerings and sin offerings you did not desire, nor were you pleased with them”—though they were offered in accordance with the law. ⁹ Then he said, “Here I am, I have come to do your will.” He sets aside the first to establish the second. ¹⁰ And by that will, we have been made holy through the sacrifice of the body of Jesus Christ once for all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 161



Refrain



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

All: The virgin will conceive and give birth / to a son.
And they will call him Im- / manuel.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Luke 1:39-55

³⁹ At that time Mary got ready and hurried to a town in the hill country of Judea, ⁴⁰ where she entered Zechariah’s home and greeted Elizabeth. ⁴¹ When Elizabeth heard Mary’s greeting, the baby leaped in her womb, and Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit. ⁴² In a loud voice she exclaimed: “Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the child you will bear! ⁴³ But why am I so favored, that the

mother of my Lord should come to me? ⁴⁴ As soon as the sound of your greeting reached my ears, the baby in my womb leaped for joy. ⁴⁵ Blessed is she who has believed that the Lord would fulfill his promises to her!”

⁴⁶ And Mary said:

“My soul glorifies the Lord

⁴⁷ and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior,

⁴⁸ for he has been mindful
of the humble state of his servant.

From now on all generations will call me blessed,

⁴⁹ for the Mighty One has done great things for me—
holy is his name.

⁵⁰ His mercy extends to those who fear him,
from generation to generation.

⁵¹ He has performed mighty deeds with his arm;
he has scattered those who are proud in their inmost thoughts.

⁵² He has brought down rulers from their thrones
but has lifted up the humble.

⁵³ He has filled the hungry with good things
but has sent the rich away empty.

⁵⁴ He has helped his servant Israel,
remembering to be merciful

⁵⁵ to Abraham and his descendants forever,
just as he promised our ancestors.”

HYMN – 327 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel”

SERMON – Luke 1:39-55

“God Lifts Up the Lowly”

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT - *We invite those who hold membership in this church or any church in fellowship with WELS, to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

331 – “From Heaven Above to Earth I Come”

668 – “Jesus Comes Today with Healing”

PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN – 315 “Let the Earth Now Praise the Lord”

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Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek

Elder: Ryan Palmer

Video Taping: Mark DeVries

Power Point: Cody Black

Altar Guild: Donna Telecky

Ushers: Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks

Living in God’s Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion <i>Cake Served after the service</i>
Monday:	6:30	p.m.	Choir
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday:	3:00	p.m.	Worship at Zion
	6:00	p.m.	Children’s Service @ ILC
Wednesday:	8:45	a.m.	Worship at Zion
	10:00	a.m.	Worship at Immanuel
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service

~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar)

Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)

Church Services Broadcasted Mondays at 10:00 am & Sundays at 9 pm
on Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3



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Christmas Services Schedule

Tuesday - Christmas Eve

Zion at 3:00 p.m.

Immanuel at 6:00 p.m. *Children's Service*

Wednesday - Christmas Day

Zion at 8:45 a.m.

Immanuel at 10 a.m.

Tuesday - New Year's Eve – Joint Service

Zion at 7:00 p.m.



Variety of Greeting Cards

The Ladies' Aid has a variety of cards available for sale in the Church Library. They are sold by the box and/or individual cards. Holiday cards are coming soon. Be sure to check it out! Prices will be marked accordingly.

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A call was extended to **Miss Rebecca Kramer**
to teach 2nd to 4th grade.

She currently teaches at Crown of Life in West St. Paul.
Please keep her in your prayers as she deliberates her calls.



The Ladies Aid will be serving cake after church on TODAY, December 22 in honor of our church's 160th Anniversary.

Please join us in fellowship.



Weather Closings

Winter weather will soon be with us again. On Sundays with questionable weather, worship cancellations will be announced on KDUZ -1260 AM radio. During the week, Pastor's policy is this: if Hutchinson Public Schools are closed for the day, evening events at both Immanuel and Zion will also be postponed on that day.

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