



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
DECEMBER 29, 2024

HYMN - 345 “Where Shepherds Lately Knel’t”

We follow Setting Two on page 172.

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, in mercy you sent your one and only Son to take upon himself our human nature. By his gracious coming, deliver us from the corruption of our sin, and transform us into the likeness of his glory; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST READING – Isaiah 50:4-9

⁴The Sovereign Lord has given me a well-instructed tongue, to know the word that sustains the weary. He wakens me morning by morning, wakens my ear to listen like one being instructed. ⁵The Sovereign Lord has opened my ears; I have not been rebellious, I have not turned away. ⁶I offered my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who pulled out my beard; I did not hide my face from mocking and spitting. ⁷Because the Sovereign Lord helps me, I will not be disgraced. Therefore have I set my face like flint, and I know I will not be put to shame. ⁸He who vindicates me is near. Who then will bring charges against me? Let us face each other! Who is my accuser? Let him confront me! ⁹It is the Sovereign Lord who helps me. Who will condemn me? They will all wear out like a garment; the moths will eat them up.

PSALM 84

SECOND READING – Hebrews 2:10-18

¹⁰In bringing many sons and daughters to glory, it was fitting that God, for whom and through whom everything exists, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through what he suffered. ¹¹Both the one who makes people holy and those who are made holy are of the same family. So Jesus is not ashamed to call them brothers and sisters. ¹²He says,

“I will declare your name to my brothers and sisters;
in the assembly I will sing your praises.”

¹³And again,

“I will put my trust in him.”

And again he says,

“Here am I, and the children God has given me.”

¹⁴Since the children have flesh and blood, he too shared in their humanity so that by his death he might break the power of him who holds the power of death—that is, the devil—¹⁵and free those who all their lives were held in slavery by their fear of death. ¹⁶For surely it is not angels he helps, but Abraham’s descendants. ¹⁷For this reason he had to be made like them, fully human in every way, in order that he might become a merciful and faithful high priest in service to God, and that he might make atonement for the sins of the people. ¹⁸Because he himself suffered when he was tempted, he is able to help those who are being tempted.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 179



Refrain



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

All: For my eyes have seen your sal- / vation,
Which you have prepared in the sight of all / nations.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Luke 2:41-52

⁴¹ Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. ⁴² When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. ⁴³ After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. ⁴⁴ Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. ⁴⁵ When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. ⁴⁶ After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. ⁴⁷ Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. ⁴⁸ When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this? Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you."

⁴⁹ "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" ⁵⁰ But they did not understand what he was saying to them.

⁵¹ Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. ⁵² And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

HYMN – 355 "Let All Together Praise Our God"

SERMON – Hebrews 2:14-18

"He Shared Our Humanity"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

HYMN – 330 "Peace Came to Earth"

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN – 342 "O Jesus Christ, Your Manger Is"

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Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek

Elder: Steve Plamann

Video Taping: Mark DeVries

Power Point: Lily/Alex

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
Monday:	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Tuesday:	7:00	p.m.	Worship at Zion – New Year's Eve
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service
	11:00	a.m.	Help take down Christmas Decorations

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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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Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.

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~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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Please help! If you could stay after church next Sunday (January 5) to assist taking down the Christmas decorations, it would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!



Miss Rebecca Kramer has returned the call to teach 2nd to 4th grades at Immanuel.



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.



Save the Date!

Sunday, January 26 at 4:30 p.m.

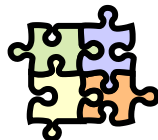
Pizza ~ Puzzles ~ Pies

Family fun evening – Everyone Welcome!

Pizza will be served – we will have some fun with a little challenge of putting together puzzles. (Puzzles will be provided.)

Bring a Pie (or dessert) to share.

Hope to see you there!



Upcoming Annual Meetings

January 28th – Annual Voter's Meeting/Congregational Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone invited to attend.

January 15th – Ladies Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

The Nominating Committee will be meeting soon to begin the process to fill the ballots for the following positions at the next Congregational/Voter's meeting scheduled for January 28th. Please consider giving of your time and talents when called upon.

- Vice-Chairman
- Secretary
- Delegate
- Trustee (3 year term)
- Elder (3 year term)
- Finance (3 year term)
- Cemetery Board (3 year term)

The Holy Scriptures have defined God pleasing ways in which women may serve their Lord. The Immanuel Ladies' Auxiliary is made up of all women in our congregation. The Ladies Executive Board is asking for volunteers to be on the ballot at the January 15th meeting for the following:

- Vice President
- Director (3 year term)

Please contact Dori Duesterhoeft or Wendy Wellwig if you have questions or would like to volunteer to serve as Vice President or Director.

The Vice President serves as vice president in assisting the President for one year and then moves into the office of President for one year. The President directs 2 meetings per year and consults with the Executive Committee to ensure that the condition and cleanliness of the kitchen and basement are adequate for use.

The 3 Directors oversee church improvements when contacted by the church council. They also rotate duties communicating with members hosting a catered event and initiate the annual cleaning of the church kitchen and basement. **Thank you.**

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