# IMMANUEL

LUTHERAN CHURCH-MISSOURI SYNOD

*Authentic Biblical Christianity*

**The Last Sunday of the Church Year** **November 22, 2026**

**Pastor:** Rev. Gary Brown
**Vicar:** Tanner Gossman
**Elder:** Taggart Fuller
**Lay Reader:** Steve Kron
**Musicians:** Francie Callahan, Debbie Dinkel, & Ken Mette
**Ushers:** TBA **Greeters:** Darlene Oetgen & Julie Berger
**Altar Guild:** Maureen Potucek **Acolyte:** Ashlynn Starnes

Immanuel is a member congregation of the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod. We believe that the Bible is God's very own Word. It is inerrant, infallible, and authoritative for life and faith. It offers everyone forgiveness of Sin and Life Everlasting through Jesus Christ. It is He of whom the Scriptures testify. Because it is a living Word, God Himself will be the one speaking to you today through Word and Sacrament.

Welcome to all our GUESTS AND VISITORS. It is our pleasure and honor to have you worship with us this morning. If you do not have a regular place of worship – WELCOME HOME! Please fill out a Welcome card, found in the pocket on the chair back in front of you, and give it to an Usher or the Pastor.

ABOUT COMMUNION: The Lord Jesus invites all to receive Him in Holy Communion who rightly believe from Scripture that they are indeed helpless in their sinful condition, that they can do nothing to earn or deserve God's forgiveness, but that in the consecrated bread and wine they receive the very body and blood of Jesus Christ, given and shed for them, for the forgiveness of their sins. If this is your profession of faith, JESUS INVITES YOU to HIS TABLE to RECEIVE HIM! If this is not your profession, you are still invited to come forward to receive a blessing. Children who have not received instruction may also receive a blessing. To receive the blessing, simply cross your arms in front of you. WHITE GRAPE JUICE is provided in the center of each tray of individual cups for those who have a non-alcohol preference.

A CRY ROOM is available in the back of the Sanctuary for use by parents or anyone for whom it is needed.

# The Last Sunday of the Church Year A

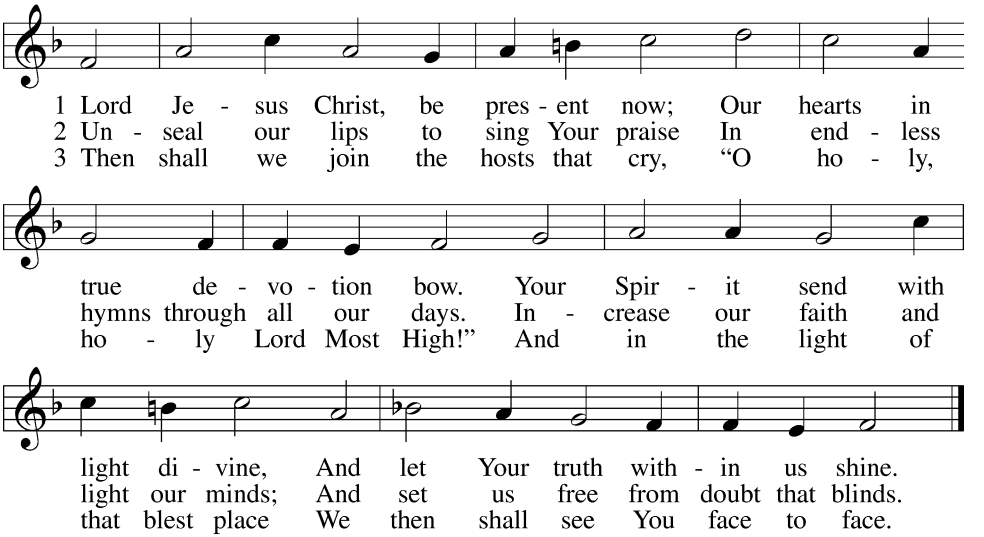
## Divine Worship, Setting Four

## *Pre-Service Music for quiet meditation and prayer*

### Pastor's Welcome

### Announcements

### Opening Hymn –902 Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now

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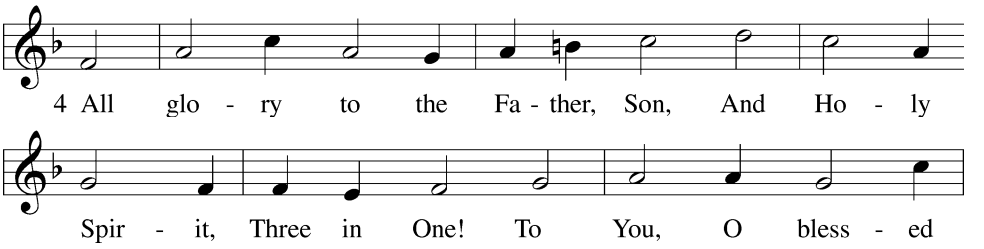

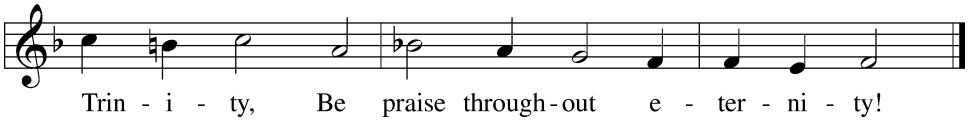


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**Invocation** *Matthew 28:19*

P In the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.
C **Amen.**

**Exhortation** *Psalm 124:8, Psalm 130:3-4, Luke 18:13*

P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
C **who made heaven and earth.**

P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
C **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore, You are feared.**

P Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

*Please remain silent for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**Confession of Sins**

C **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

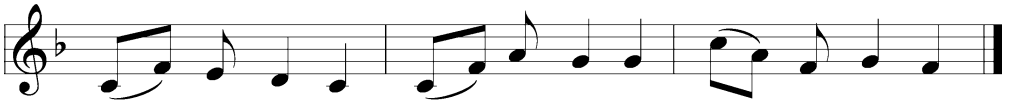
**Absolution** *John 20:19-23*

P Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the T Son and of the Holy Spirit.

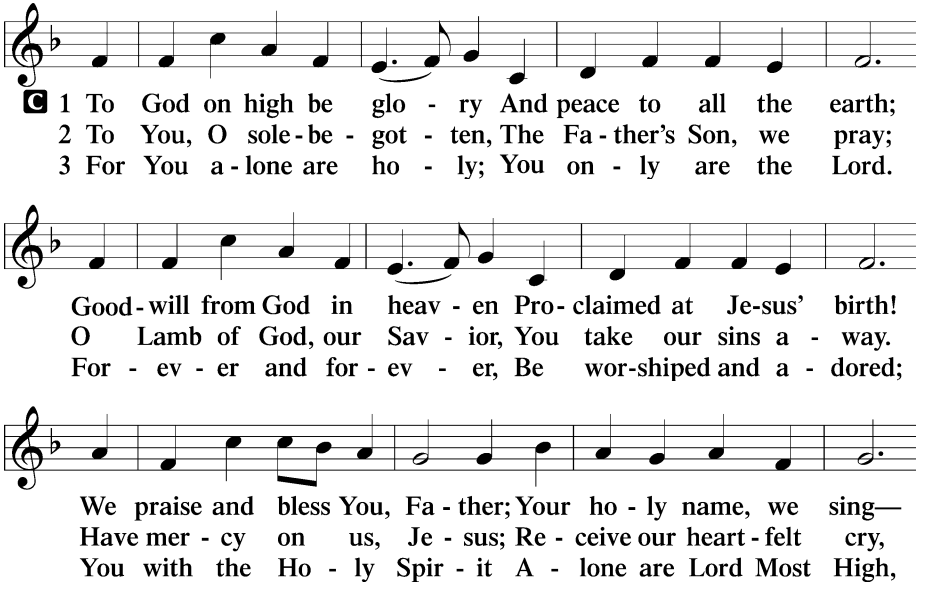
C **Amen.**

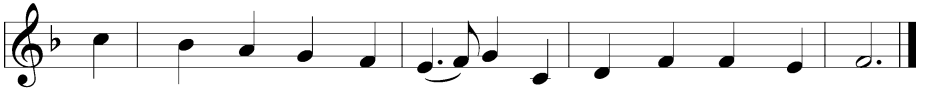
# +++Service of the Word+++

**Kyrie** *Mark 10:47*




**Gloria in Excelsis** *Luke 2:14, John 1:29*






**Salutation and Collect of the Day** *2 Timothy 4:22*

P The Lord be with you.
C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray.

Eternal God, merciful Father, You, have appointed Your Son as judge of the living and the dead. Enable us to wait for the day of His return with our eyes fixed on the kingdom prepared for Your own from the foundation of the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

*Please be seated*

**First Reading -Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

*The First Reading can be found on the reverse side of this bulletin.*

A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

**Epistle – 1 Corinthians 15:20-28**

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A This is the Word of the Lord.
C **Thanks be to God.**

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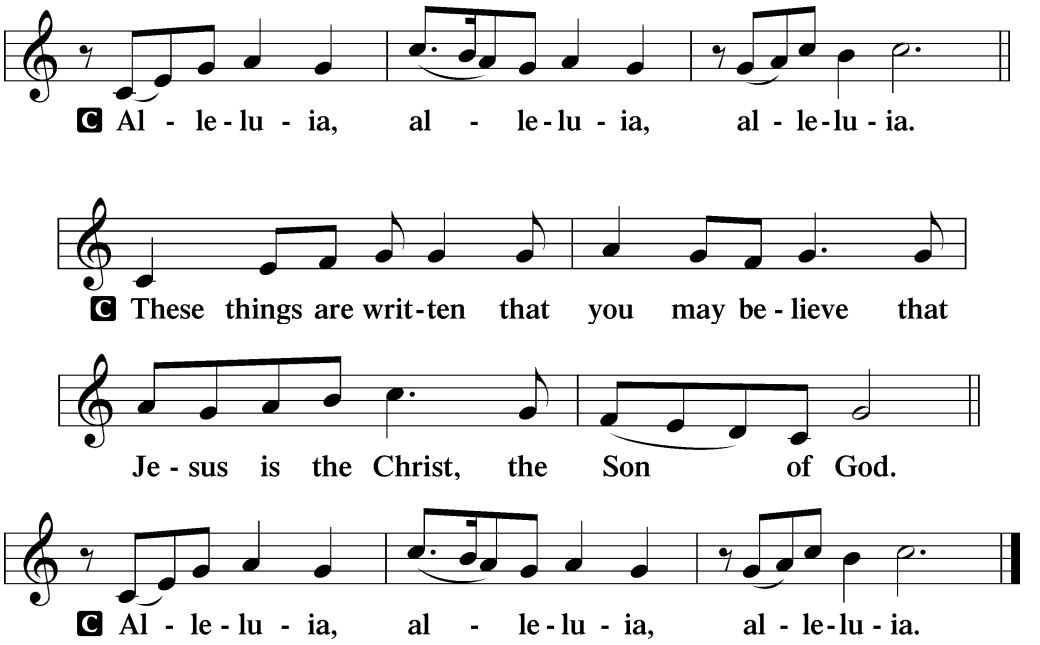
**Alleluia and Verse** *John 20:31*




**Holy Gospel – Matthew 25:31-46**

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.
C **Glory to You, O Lord.**

*The Holy Gospel can be found on the reverse side of this bulletin.*

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.
C **Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Nicene Creed**

C **I believe in one God,**
**the Father Almighty,** *Matthew 5:45*
**maker of heaven and earth** *Genesis 1:1ff, Romans 1:20*
**and of all things visible and invisible.** *Colossians 1:16*
**And in one Lord Jesus Christ,** *Romans 1:7*
**the only-begotten Son of God,** *John 1:18*
**begotten of His Father before all worlds,** *Hebrews 1:5, John 1:1*
**God of God, Light of Light,** *John 1:18, John 1:9*
**very God of very God,** *John 8:58*
**begotten, not made,** *John 17:5, Colossians 2:10*
**being of one substance with the Father,** *John 10:30, 14:9*
**by whom all things were made;** *1 Corinthians 8:6*
**who for us men and for our salvation came**
**down from heaven** *John 3:16, Ephesians 4:10*
**and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary** *Luke 1:34-35*
**and was made man;** *John 1:14*
**and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.** *Matthew 20:19*
**He suffered and was buried.** *Mark 15:46*
**And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures** *Mk 16:6*
**and ascended into heaven** *Acts 1:9*
**and sits at the right hand of the Father.** *Hebrews 1:3*
**And He will come again with glory to judge**
**both the living and the dead,** *Matthew 25:31-46*
**whose kingdom will have no end.** *Revelation 11:15*
**And I believe in the Holy Spirit,** *Matthew 28:19*
**the Lord and giver of life,** *John 6:63*
**who proceeds from the Father and the Son,** *John 14:16-17*
**who with the Father and the Son together is**
**worshiped and glorified,** *John 4:24*
**who spoke by the prophets.** *2 Peter 1:21*
**And I believe in one holy Christian**

**and apostolic Church,** *Revelation 21:14*
**I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,** *Acts 2:38*
**and I look for the resurrection**
**of the dead** *1 Corinthians 15:12-13,16,52*
**and the life T of the world to come. Amen.** *Revelation 22:5*

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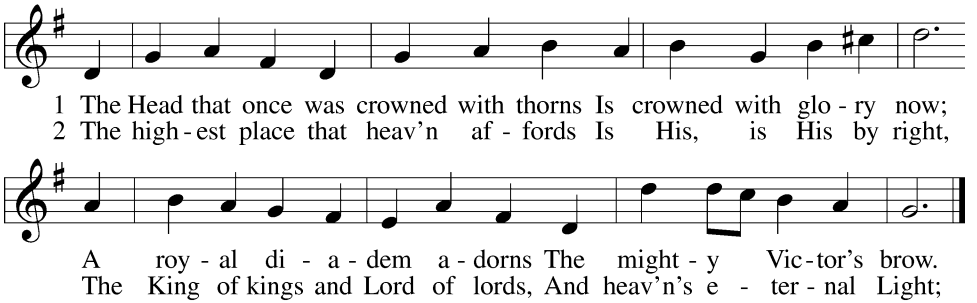
## Hymn of the Day – 532 The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns




5 They suffer with their Lord below,
They reign with Him above,
Their profit and their joy to know
The myst'ry of His love.

6 The cross He bore is life and health,
Though shame and death to Him:
His people's hope, His people's wealth,
Their everlasting theme.

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## Sermon

## Offering

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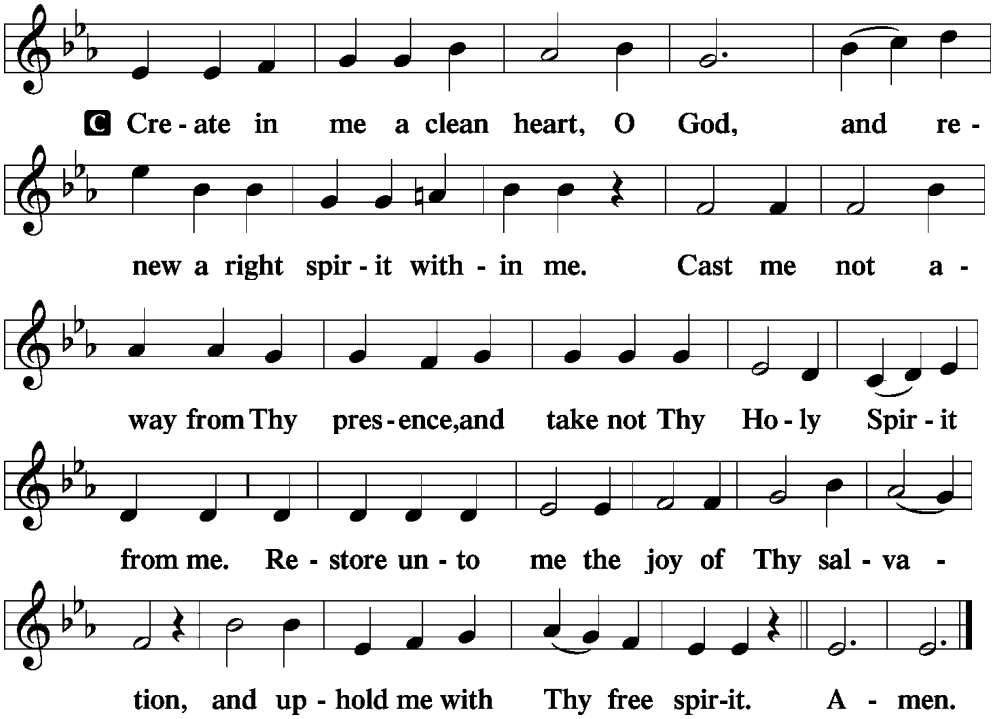
## Offertory

*Psalm 51:10-12*

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## Prayer of the Church

*1 Timothy 2:1-4*

P In peace, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who anxiously await the Lord's return, that we may never tire of inviting others to hear the good news of life in Christ, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For all who have gone astray, that by the power of the Holy Spirit they may be returned to the fold before Christ returns to judge the living and the dead, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For all in authority, that while the kingdoms of this world pass away, they may be granted wisdom and protection as they carry out their duties, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For the needy, sorrowful, sick and all those facing adversity, that God would hold them in His almighty hands and bring them consolation; that He would give us grace to accept and bear our crosses with faith in Christ; and that He would prepare us to depart this life in faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P For those who commune this day, that the God of all grace would endow His people with penitent hearts to receive the risen Christ's body and blood, and with Him the hope of the resurrection from death to eternal life, let us pray to the Lord:

**C Lord, have mercy.**

P Father in heaven, with the whole Church in heaven and on earth, we wait with joy for our Lord's triumphant return. Send Him forth, we pray, that He might renew all things according to His gracious promises, and bring us at last to see that kingdom prepared for us from the foundation of the world. We ask all these things in His name, trusting only in His righteousness; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C Amen.**

# +++Service of the Sacrament+++

**PLEASE READ:** The Lord Jesus invites all to receive Him in Holy Communion who rightly believe from Scripture:

1. That they are indeed helpless in their sinful condition,
2. That they can do nothing to earn or deserve God's forgiveness,
3. That in the consecrated bread and wine they receive the very body and blood of Jesus Christ, given and shed for them, for the forgiveness of their sins, and therefore their sins are forgiven!

If this is your profession of faith, **JESUS INVITES YOU to HIS TABLE to RECEIVE HIM!** If this is not your profession, you are still invited to come forward to receive a blessing.

**-CHILDREN who have not received instruction** may also come forward to receive a blessing.

-To receive the blessing, simply cross your arms in front of you.

-**WHITE GRAPE JUICE** is provided in the center of each tray of individual cups for those who have a non-alcohol preference.

**Preface** *2 Timothy 4:22, Colossians 3:1, Psalm 136*

P The Lord be with you.

C **And also with you.**

P Lift up your hearts.

C **We lift them to the Lord.**

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

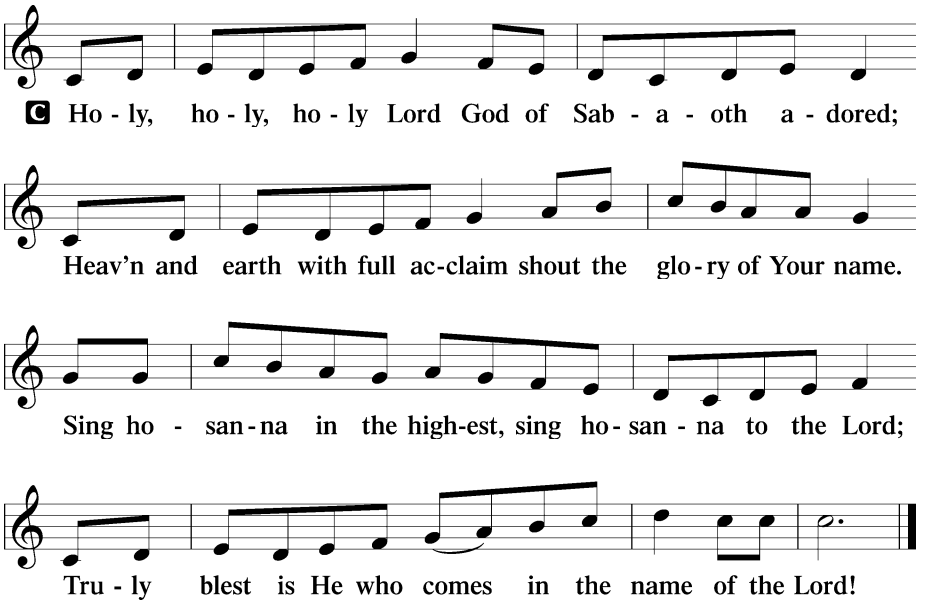
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

**Proper Preface**

P It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, for the countless blessings You so freely bestow on us and all creation. Above all, we

give thanks for Your boundless love shown to us when You sent Your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, into our flesh and laid on Him our sin, giving Him into death that we might not die eternally. Because He is now risen from the dead and lives and reigns to all eternity, all who believe in Him will overcome sin and death and will rise again to new life. Therefore, with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

**Sanctus** *Isaiah 6:3, Matthew 21:9*




**Lord's Prayer - (Sung)** *Matthew 6:9-13*

**Our Father which art in heaven,**
**hallowed be Thy name,**
**Thy kingdom come,**
**Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;**

**give us this day our daily bread;**
**and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors,**
**and lead us not into temptation,**
**but deliver us from evil.**
**For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**
**Amen.**

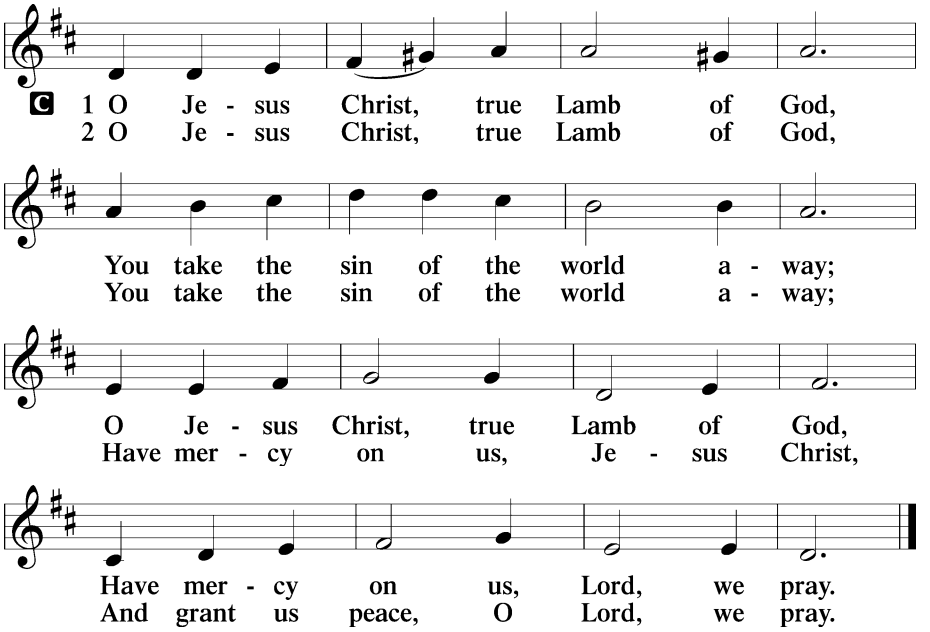
**The Words of Institution** *Matthew 26:26, Mark 14:22-24, Luke 22:19-20*

**Response** *John 1:29, Matthew 8:8*

P Behold the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are fed at His Supper.

C **Lord, I am not worthy to receive You, but only say the word and I shall be healed.**

**Agnus Dei** *John 1:29*



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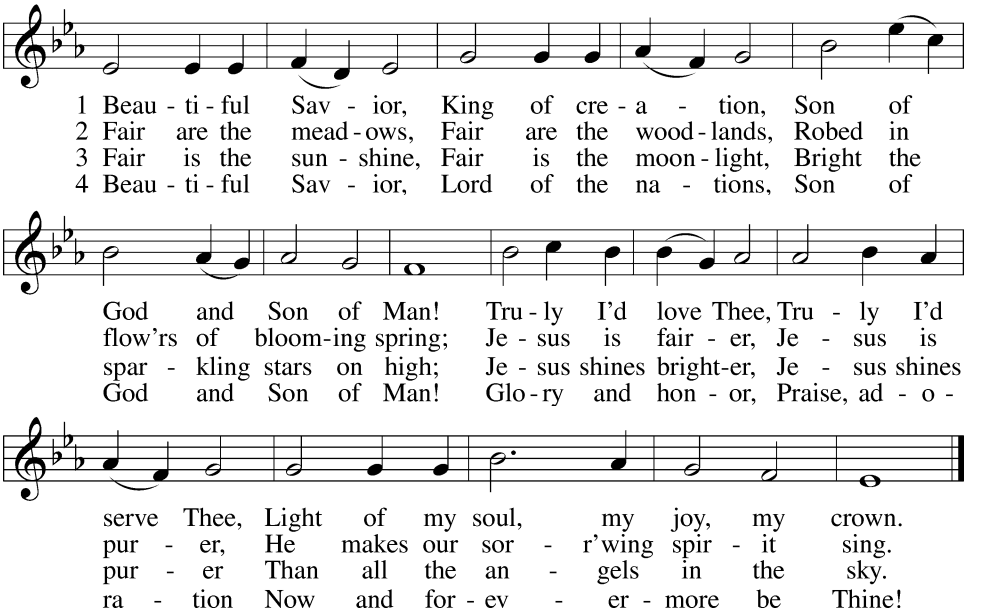
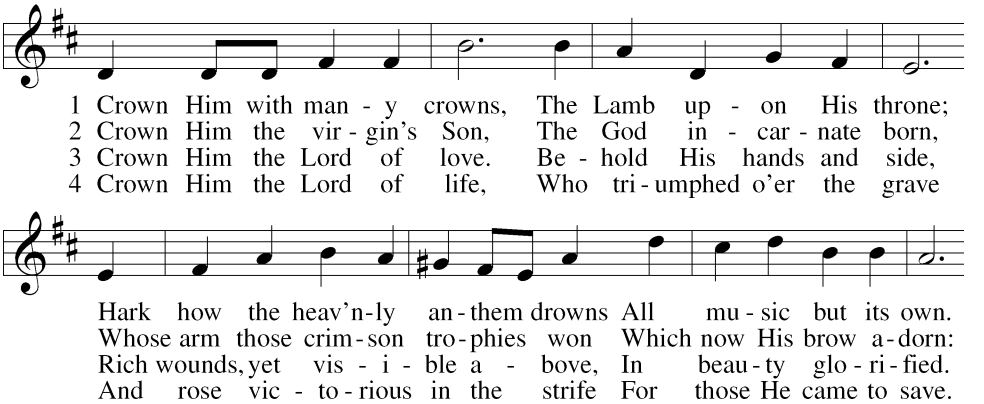
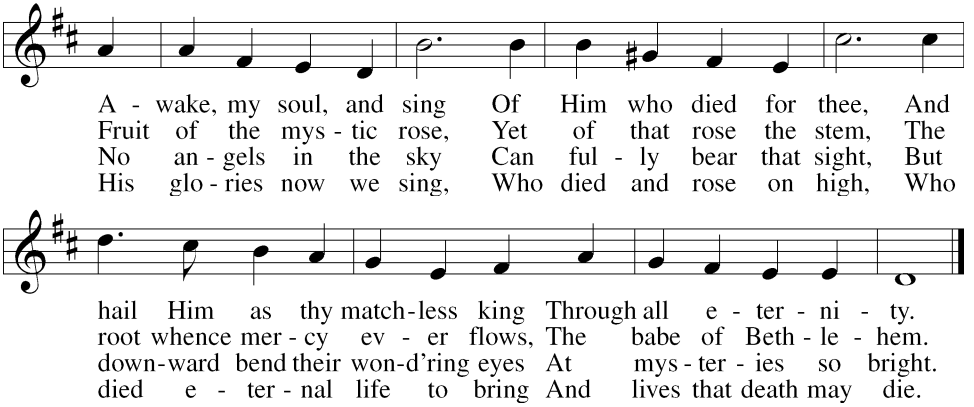
## Distribution Hymns -537 Beautiful Savior




## 525 Crown Him with Many Crowns






5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns
As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns,
For He is king of all.

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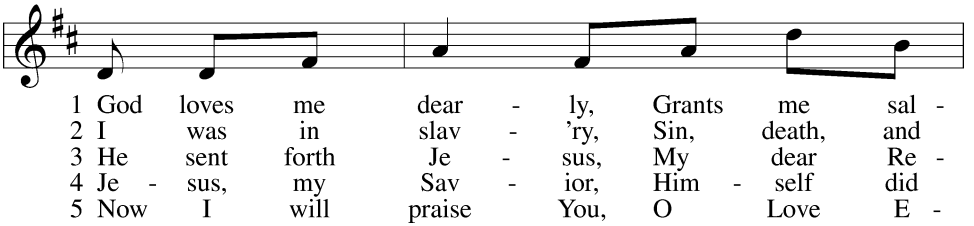
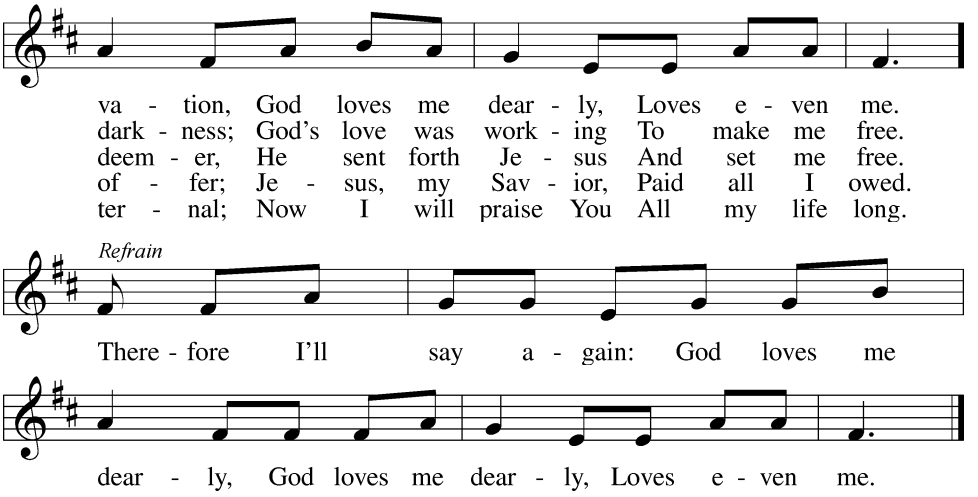
## 392 God Loves Me Dearly



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## Communion with the Fellowship Cups

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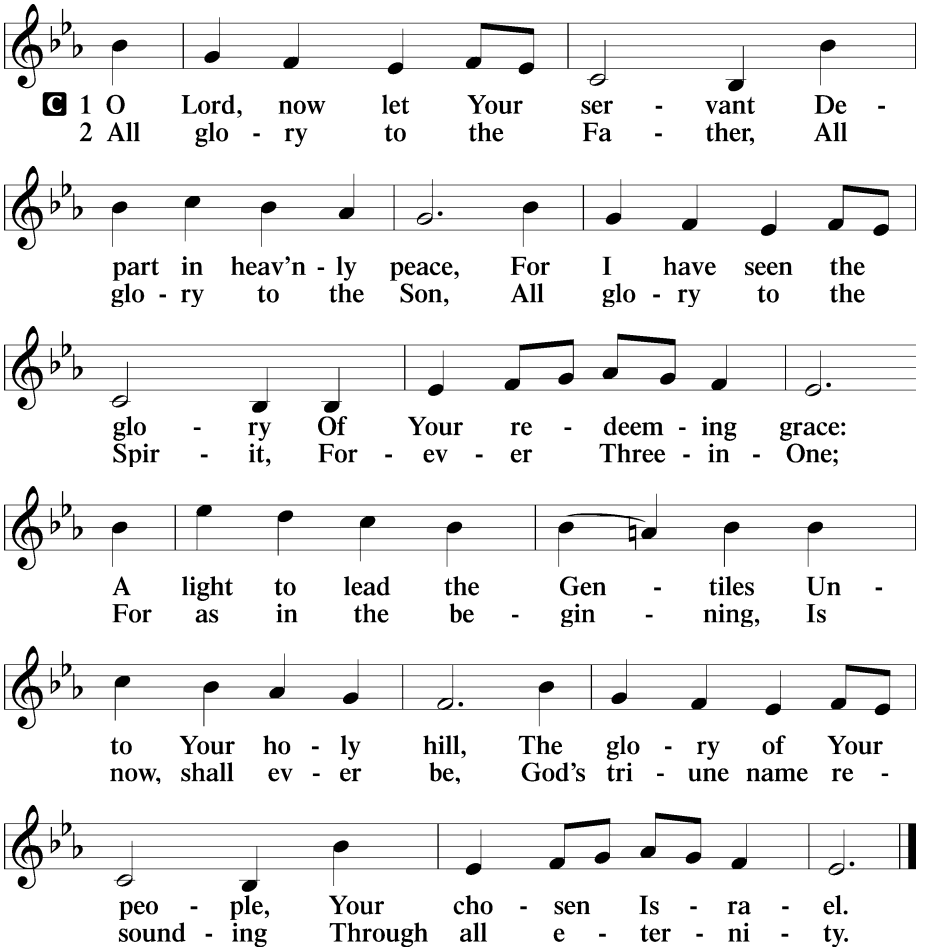
## The Dismissal

P And now may this, the very body and blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, bless and keep you in the one true faith, unto life everlasting. Amen. T Depart in Peace. He has set you free!

C **Amen.**

**Nunc Dimittis –** *Song of Simeon* *Luke:2:29-32*




**Benedicamus** *2 Timothy 4:22*

A Let us bless the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

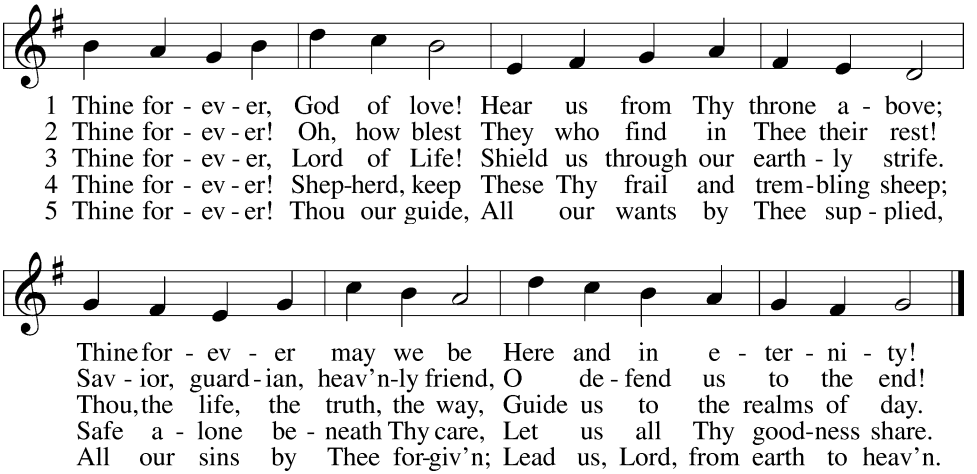
## Benediction

*Numbers 6:24-26*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you
and be gracious to you.
The Lord look upon you with favor and T give you peace.

C **Amen.**

## Closing Hymn - 687 Thine Forever, God of Love

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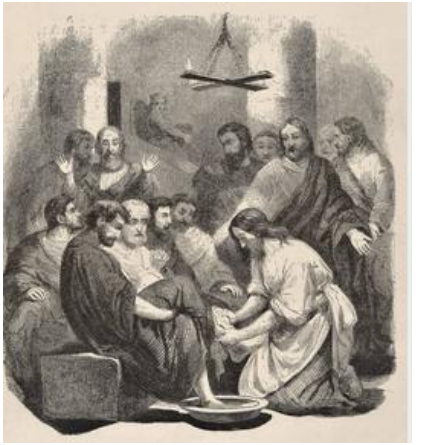

# PASTOR AND ELDERS CONTACT PAGE

**Pastor Gary Brown**

**Vicar Tanner Gossman**

**Elders' Care Groups for 2026**:

**A-D**
John Conroy
Sid Germeroth
**E-J**
Taggart Fuller
Jim Schroeder
**K-P**
Rick Rambo
Jack Shaddy
**R-Z**
Rob Yancey
Eddie Yarbrough




## THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL November 23, - November 29, 2026

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| **MONDAY:** | **8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.** | **OFFICE OPEN** |
| **TUESDAY:** | **8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.** | **OFFICE OPEN** |
| **WEDNESDAY:** | **8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.**<br>**6:30 p.m.** | **OFFICE OPEN**<br>**Thanksgiving Eve Svc.** |
| **THURSDAY:** | **8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.** | **OFFICE CLOSED**<br>**Thanksgiving** |
| **FRIDAY:** | **8:45 a.m. – 1:45 p.m.** | **OFFICE CLOSED** |
| **SATURDAY:** | **9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.** | **OFFICE CLOSED**<br>**Men's Bible Breakfast** |
| **SUNDAY:** | **9:30 a.m.**<br>**Immediately After Service**<br>**11:00 am** | **OFFICE CLOSED**<br>**Sunday Service**<br>**Fellowship**<br>**Adult Bible Class**<br>**Sunday School**<br>**Mite Sunday** |




**Annual Salvation Army Senior Program**–There will be a table set up in the Narthex on **Sunday, November 29, 2026** with angel gift tags. Anyone wanting to buy a Christmas gift for an older adult alone at Christmas please, come by and pick up an angel tag.

**LWML**– Be sure to stop after service to get your Thanksgiving dessert. All donations will go to Crafty Ladies for supplies.

**LWML**– Ladies, please join us for **our annual ornament/cookie exchange**, **December 6th from 1:00pm – 3:00pm.** Bring an ornament and some cookies/candies. It's a time for fun, food, and fellowship.

**"God is your imaginary friend!"** Many people could not defend their faith against statements like this. Could You? ***"…always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you…"*** (1 Peter 3:15). "Jesus never said He was God." "Noah couldn't put that many animals in the ark." If you would like to understand why the Bible is true and how to defend your Christian faith, join us at our Sunday Bible Study hour for a special class called "Systematic Theology." The class has begun. There is a workbook for this class, the church has purchased more workbooks and are available for this special class. I encourage you to take advantage of this weekly study. You will be greatly blessed as you learn to be a knowledgeable witness for Christ.

**Fellowship Kitchen Helpers** – We are looking for volunteers to help out in the kitchen during Fellowship time on Sundays. There are only a few members, who have been very dedicated, to provide this wonderful service to our congregation and those numbers are now waning. The current volunteers will be more than helpful in showing you all you need to know in how it is run and assisting you, so please prayerfully consider becoming a Kitchen Helper. *You will be a blessing and will also be blessed when you use your time and talents in helping out at the church in whatever capacity you can!* **Please contact Pam Germeroth if you are interested in helping in the kitchen.**

**Updated Children's Busy Bags** – are located in the tubs in the Narthex. Bags are

filled with children's activities to be used during service. Please have your child take home stickers or sticker books if they like and return bags to tub in Narthex.

**Men's Bible Breakfast** – The next Men's Bible Breakfast will be on November 28, 2026 from 9am to 10:30am. All gentlemen are invited and are welcome to bring a guest.

**Council Meetings** – The Council meetings are open to the membership. Council meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall. The next Council meeting will be held on December 8, 2026. This is a good opportunity to voice concerns, present thoughts and ideas, and any other discussion concerning the affairs of Immanuel.

**Crafty Ladies** -Going forward, Crafty Ladies will meet once a month, on the second Monday of each month from 10:00 am – 1:00 pm. The next Crafty Ladies Meeting will be on December 14, 2026. Any questions about the changes please contact the Church Office at (520) 458-3883 or email at sec@ilc.tuccoxmail.com.

**Sunday Adult Bible Study** – We are having Bible study right after Sunday Service and Fellowship time in the Friendship Hall.

**Communion –** If you are not able to make it to the Communion Rail, you have a choice of using the Fellowship Cup or having the Communion Assistants bring communion to you in your seat. If you would like communion at your seat, please let the Communion Assistants know.

**WELCOME CARDS** – are located in the pocket of the chair in front of you. If you are visiting with us, or if you are interested in becoming a new member, please fill out the card and either place it in the offering plate, or place it on the rolling cart in the Narthex after service. (Guests and visitors are always WELCOME here at Immanuel.)

**Becoming A Church Member** – If you are not currently a member here at Immanuel Lutheran Church, and are interested in becoming one, please let our church secretary know. You can leave her a message in her mailbox, stop by the church office during the week, or you may call her at (520) 458-3883. We would love to have you join our church family!

**Good Neighbor Alliance** – There are baskets under the mail boxes in the Narthex, where we collect food, toiletries, and socks for the needy in our community. There is a list in the Narthex of their current needs. Some of the most urgent are: Cereal, Oatmeal, Breakfast Bars, Paper Towels, All Purpose Cleaner, Coffee, and Travel Size Shampoo.

## STEWARDSHIP –The Measure of our Love
## For our Lord on November 15, 2026

**Together in worship: 88 Livestream: 30 Total: 118**

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| **Offerings for budget** | **$4,246.00** |
| **Total Deposit for November 15, 2026** | **$4,306.00** |
| **Given Year-to-date for "Building Fund"** | **$14,865.00** |

**Offering Envelope Information…** If you are making your offerings by check, please write your check # on the outside of the offering envelope. Our Financial Secretary writes the check numbers on the outside of the offering envelopes for verification. If you could take a moment to do this, it would save her a tremendous amount of time.




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## Weekly Prayer List – November 22, - November 28, 2026

Nov 17

**Tristan Wolf** – Friend of Donna and Wes Hewitt. Tristan was recently in a car accident and has extensive injuries that will require several surgeries and rehabilitation.

Nov 5

**Jim Schroeder** – Please pray for healing while recovering from a stroke, he injured himself with a fall and is back in the hospital.

Oct 21

**Kim Brown** – Pastor Brown's wife is at home, please pray for healing and recovery.

Oct 21

**David and family** – Son and grandchildren of James Cesari, is serving in the U.S. Army, please pray for him and his family.

Sep 17

**Millie Longmire** – is at home now, please continue to pray for healing and recovery.

Sep 16

**Barbara Dicataldo** – Her lung cancer is back, please pray for healing.

Sep 8

**Anna Biondi** – is on oxygen since her surgery and testing is being done to determine why. Please pray that doctors may find the cause of this and help to make her feel well.

Aug 5

**Adelia Imhof** – Needs prayers, she is stationed in Kuwait and prayers for all military personnel.

Jun 8

**Joey & Don Pfeifer** – Please pray for continued healing for Joey and please pray for protection and help for Don during his separation from his family.

Apr 11

**Carol Schroeder** – Please pray for her continued recovery after her heart stopped for 15 minutes during surgery. Carol is now recovering at Haven Health.

Mar 15

**Dee Floeter** – Is very ill. Please pray for relief of pain, healing and recovery.

Mar 2

**Dartagnon Fuller** – serving in the navy. Please pray for his safety.

Jan 14

**Bruce Cattell** – has found out he has two malfunctioning heart valves. Please pray for good medical treatment and healing.

Dec 6

**Michael and Arianna Conroy** – Need prayers of guidance and blessings on Michael while he is in seminary.

***Attention: Please call the office if God has answered the prayers for the people on the list. If they need further prayers, call the office so that they remain on it.***