

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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December 3, 2023

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Gracious God, you are the Alpha and Omega, our beginning and end. May your Spirit kindle in us a spirit of readiness, that we might at all times and in all places be prepared for the coming of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

First Reading Isaiah 64:1-9

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Sending

Welcome to our worship in Jesus' name!

Your presence in worshiping the Lord is our joy! Thanks be to God who grants you faith which brings you here; please come again. Join us for coffee and fellowship in the Parish Hall between services.

The altar flowers are given by Ralph & Phyllis Coldewey in honor of grandson's birthday.

Prayer Request Card – If you have a Prayer Request, an usher will pick it up **during the first hymn** for Pastor to include later in the service.

Offerings and Attendance on 11/23/23: \$285 there were 29 members and **11/26/23:** \$5,589 there were 77 members & 2 visitor.

Holy Communion: All who are baptized and believe that Christ is truly present in the Sacrament are welcome to join us at the Lord's Table. Come forward at the direction of the usher. If you are unable to come forward to receive the Sacrament, please let the usher know, and the Sacrament will be brought to you. **Grape juice and gluten-free wafers are also available;** let the pastor or communion assistant know of your need as you are served. Any who have not been instructed in the Sacrament may come forward to receive a blessing.

THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL

Sun 8:00 am Worship with Holy Communion
9:15 am Coffee Fellowship/Bible Study
10:30 am Worship with Holy Communion

Mon 6:30 pm YACHT Club Meeting

Tues 6:00 pm Handbell Practice
7:00 pm Cantata Practice

Wed 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study
6:00 pm Adult Bible Study & Meal
6:30 pm Youth Night Experience & Confirmation

Thur 10:45 am Golden Age Bible Study
7:00 pm Ladies Bible Study

Sat 8:30 am Men's Breakfast
1:30 pm HEB Christmas Caroling
7:00 pm Cantata

SOLA's Connection Magazine subscription is up for renewal. If you are a current subscriber and wish to renew or if you are not a subscriber but are interested in receiving this bimonthly publication, please contact the church office by December 3rd. Copies of the magazine are available for your preview.

OUR PRAYER LIST

Prayers: (These will remain on this list for three weeks unless otherwise instructed) **God of comfort,** your healing touch transcends time and space. Strengthen and console those who are anxious, grieving, lonely, ill or discouraged in any way. We pray especially for: Vince & Louise Aguirre, Alyssa, Mary Simon Archey, Larry Bailey, Michael Bauer, Mariana Bibbey, Willie Jean Boeck, Summer Carter, Mrs. Darwish, Kim D., Kyle and family, Mary Ferry, Eric & Raquel Garza-Colvin, Mary Elizabeth George, Justin Daniels, Lydia Delgado, Alex Espinosa, Jan Hallum, David Haass, Jerry, Jim Harris, Beverly Hartwick, Kayla Knoll, Brett Kunnemann, Gilbert & Lydia Lopez, Wanda Mabry, Jessie Martinez, María Elena Martinez, Jennifer Martinez, Michelle, Mike Miles, Dave Miller, Austin Murry, Shirley & Steve O'Neal, A. J. Peterson & family, Darleen Pooley, Tim Smith, Karisha Spencer, David Swize, Lonnie Tekaat, Susan Thompson, Armando Trujillo, Rebecca White, Dennis, and Freddie & Vanessa. Shine the light of your presence into their lives through the compassion which your people share with them.

For those grieving:

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For those affected by natural disasters:

For our building project:

For our country and for world peace:

For those serving in military service here and abroad: Taylor Clarke, Stephen Ferry, Eric Koepp, Kayla Martin, Joshua Miller, Kevin Neu, Nathan Pianfetti, Farrah Schluter, Larkin Tremaine, Ashley Trompeter, and Michael Troy, Jr.

This week's NALC devotions: December 3 December 9

Sunday

Amos 1:1–5, 13–2:8; 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11; Luke 21:5–19; Psalms 24 & 150 (AM); Psalms 25 & 110 (PM)

Monday

Amos 2:6–16; 2 Peter 1:1–11; Matthew 21:1–11; Psalms 122 & 145 (AM); Psalms 40 & 67 (PM)

Tuesday

Amos 3:1–11; 2 Peter 1:12–21; Matthew 21:12–22; Psalms 33 & 146 (AM); Psalms 85 & 94 (PM)

Wednesday

Amos 3:12–4:5; 2 Peter 3:1–10; Matthew 21:23–32; Psalms 50 & 147:1–12 (AM); Psalms 53 & 17 (PM)

Thursday

Amos 4:6–13; 2 Peter 3:11–18; Matthew 21:33–46; Psalms 18:1–20 & 147:13–21 (AM); Psalms 126 & 62 (PM)

Friday

Amos 5:1–17; Jude 1–16; Matthew 22:1–14; Psalms 102 & 148 (AM); Psalms 130 & 16 (PM)

Saturday

Amos 5:18–27; Jude 17–25; Matthew 22:15–22; Psalms 90 & 149 (AM); Psalms 80 & 72 (PM)