

Immanuel Lutheran Church

Powered by the Holy Spirit, we proclaim the work of
the Son, in adoration of the Father.

Sola Gratia. Sola Fide. Sola Scriptura. Solus Christus.



The Nativity of Our Lord

December 25, 2017

Immanuel Handbell Choir (medley)
Hymn #379

Invocation/Confession/Absolution

p.151

Psalm 2

Immanuel Handbell Choir

First Reading

Isaiah 52:7-10

Epistle

Hebrews 1:1-6

Gospel Reading

John 1:1-14

The Nicene Creed (back inside cover of hymnal)

Hymn #363

Sermon: God's "redeeming grace" has dawned (Isaiah 52:7-10)

Hymn #368 *as we receive our offerings and fill out the registers*

Institution and Distribution of the Lord's Supper

Distribution Hymns: #374 #376 #379

Prayer/Lord's Prayer

Benediction

Hymn #386

***To God be glory for 139 years of
His grace at Immanuel and 67 years of
proclaiming Jesus on our radio broadcast!***



Communion Participation at Immanuel Lutheran

As members of the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS), Immanuel's policy regarding the Lord's Supper is one of closed Communion. We invite all confirmed members who are in good standing with an LCMS congregation to commune with us. Participation in the Lord's Supper is, Scripturally speaking, a communal act and therefore is reserved, in our church body, for those making the same confession. (See I Corinthians 11:17-34)

Members of other church bodies are welcome to participate in our liturgy and in the hearing of God's Word, but are asked to refrain from participation in the Lord's Supper. We would be glad for you to come forward and receive a blessing; simply cross your arms in front of you after kneeling.

We respect the confession you make in the church you attend. Communing with us would signify you are no longer a member of that church body. We, along with the whole Christian Church on earth, look forward to eternal life when all divisions will cease.

If you are not a member of the LCMS and uncertain as to whether you ought to participate please refrain from participation until you have talked with Pastor Wing. He would be glad to discuss the matter with you.

Also, it is important for members of our church body to prepare for receiving the Lord's Supper and that can be done in the following manner: recognize that you are a sinner, repent of your sin, believe that you are receiving Christ's true body and blood in, with, and under the bread and wine, and that what you eat and drink is for the forgiveness of your sins.

If you have time check out pp. 329-30 of the Lutheran Service Book. Walk through these Christian Questions and Answers as you prepare for worship this morning.

Communion Committee

Jan. 7 Dana Melies Angie Eichholz

Jan. 21 Sue Nicholson
Courtney Gieselman

Acolytes

Dec. 25 Matthew

Dec. 31 Chase

Jan. 7 Dalyn

Jan. 14 Gregory

Secretary's hours this week: M-closed; T-F 6:00-9:00am
If you need something and the office is closed please call Judy at (660)202-2993 or email:jteufel3354141@gmail.com.



Those serving

<i>Musician:</i>	Beverly Hasselbring
<i>The Greeters:</i>	Marc & Kristy Johnson
<i>The Acolyte:</i>	Matthew
<i>The Head Usher:</i>	Steve Fuchs
<i>Radio and Sound:</i>	Steve Vickrey, Ron Meyer, Pete Melies
<i>Church Secretary:</i>	Judy Teufel
<i>Church Custodian:</i>	Jim Teufel
<i>Pastor:</i>	Daniel Wing

Whether you are a lifelong member or visiting for the first time we are honored to have you here this morning.

Please feel free to contact Pastor Wing regarding questions of membership or of a spiritual or personal matter. You may contact him at: (660) 851-3810 or at church: (660) 335-4141. If you get a chance check us out online at: www.lcmsimmanuel.org

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May the Peace of Christ dwell in you!

