

IMMANUEL CHURCH CALENDAR—A PEEK AT THE WEEK!

Sun. November 25 Christ the King Sunday

9:00-Prep and Prayer meeting for those helping with the service-fireside room
9:15-Church nursery is staffed
9:30-Worship Service, NO Sunday School
10:30-Coffee time

10:30- New Testament Study-right after worship grab a cup of coffee and meet in the Sanctuary Basement. Topic: 3. Ancient Judaism

Pick up your Christmas Wreath order from our youth today in church garage

Mon., November 26

6:00-Worship and Music Committee

Tues., November 27

10:00-Text Time Bible Study

Wed., November 28

6:00-Choir Rehearsal

6:30-Confirmation

Thurs., November 29

9:00-Men's Bible Study of Revelation—
we will be meeting through Dec. 20

Fri., November 30

Sat. December 1

9:00-11:00-All Church Christmas Program rehearsal for all involved in the program

Sun., December 2 - First Sunday in Advent

BRING YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE BAKE/CRAFT SALE TO THE FELLOW-SHIP HALL BEFORE CHURCH.

9:00-Prep and Prayer meeting for those helping with the service-fireside room
9:15-Church nursery is staffed
9:15-Christmas Carol Sing-a-long Prelude
9:30-WOW Service, Holy Communion, Sunday School
10:30-Christmas Brunch, Bake and Craft Sale
NO New Testament study

PLEASE CHECK OUT THE POSTERS ON THE NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD.

Come to church early next week as we kick off the Christmas season with a Christmas Carol sing-a-long prelude beginning at 9:15!

Happy Birthdays: Nov. 25th-Greg Elkerton; 27th-Deanna Geslin, Logan Peltier; 30th-Brandon Peltier; Dec. 1-Barry Weness

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Thank you to those helping with the service:

Pastor Marla Amborn
Momoh Freeman—Organist
Pat Remer—Accompanist
Matt Wendel—Acolyte
Clay Ryberg, Bob Stirling—Ushers
Diane Rothe—Greeter Kris Koran—Reader
Steve Blomquist—AV Tech
Youth Group—serving coffee today!
Jeske Noordergraaf—Nursery
No Sunday School today



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012

Rev. Marla Amborn

Christ the King Sunday

November 25, 2018, 9:30 A.M.

A welcoming community rooted in Christ, growing in faith and serving with joy!

Today's Hymnal: **ELW** - Evangelical Lutheran Worship (**red**)

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

No large print bulletins have been used for many months, If you want a large print bulletin prepared for you please notify the church office.

Children's bulletins & Worship Bags are available at the back of the church.

P: Pastor, C: Congregation, R: Reader

Prelude

Welcome and announcements

Prayer Shawl Dedication

Call To Worship

Pastor: The Christian year is approaching its end,

Congregation: Advent is just around the corner, a new beginning, a fresh start. Out with the old in with the new. Christ is coming anew.

P: How many times must we go through this cycle before realizing we cannot go our way?

C: God's way is the only way.

P: Come as we listen to God as Jeremiah heard him.

C: Come as we hear God through the prophet's voice. Come listen and get ready, to begin again.

Gathering Hymn ELW #855 Crown Him With Many Crowns

vs. 1, 3, 4, 5

Prayer of Adoration and Confession

Pastor: King of kings, host of hosts,

ALL: we close this Christian year reminded that you are above all. You rule, and the whole world is your kingdom.

P: Today we turn our thoughts to Jeremiah—a young man who doubted his ability to undertake the task you called him to do.

C: As we start a new year, a new cycle, a new line of thinking we ask that you forgive us for the times we have run from your call. Sometimes, we simply doubt the gifts you have given us. We forget that you know us and what we are capable of in more ways that we ever will. And it's overwhelming. It is frightening at times.

Pause

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P: Loving God,

C: may our hearts be made worthy to be your prophets. May we go where you call us to go, and speak the Word that you give us. Through the power of your Holy Spirit, may your words be upon our lips, may your grace dwell in our hearts so that we might pluck up and pull down, destroy and overthrow, build and plant, as you command. Amen.

Forgiveness

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, any by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Prayer of the Day (*prayed in unison*)

God of cleansing, you showed the people of Israel how to behave in ways that honor you and your people. Show us how to behave so that your world might be blessed through our actions. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen

The Lesson Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the Lord came to me saying, ⁵"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations." ⁶Then I said, "Ah, Lord God! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy." ⁷But the Lord said to me, "Do not say, 'I am only a boy'; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you, ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the Lord." ⁹Then the Lord put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the Lord said to me, "Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant."

The Story based on Jeremiah 7:1-11

Pastor: Stand in the gate of the Lord's House and proclaim there this word.

Reader: Hear the word of the Lord, all who enter these gates.

Pastor: Repent of your ways and your doings.

Congregation: When our ways are selfish and our doings wrong, when we walk without humility and do without justice, of these things we repent.

P: This is the house of the Lord!

R: This is the house of the Lord!

Congregation: This is the house of the Lord!

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THE CHRISTMAS STARI! Sun., Dec. 16, 9:30

Join in Celebrating the Birth of Jesus with a Christmas Program for all Ages - Our congregational Christmas program this year will be intergenerational and presented during worship on December 16. It is an opportunity for everyone, from the youngest to the oldest among us, to participate in praising God and celebrating the birth of Jesus.

Who? Sunday School Students, Confirmation Students, Youth Group kids Senior Choir members, All adults who would like to take part

When? Rehearsals are on Saturdays, December 1 and December 15 from 9:00 to 11:00am. The Program is during worship on Sunday, December 16 at 9:30.

YOUTH/CONFIRMATION UPCOMING DATES:

Sun., Nov. 25 be ready for wreath pick up by those who ordered them. Pick up is from the church garage after worship.

Wed., Nov. 28, 6:30pm -Confirmation

Sat., Dec. 1, 9:00-11:00 Christmas Program rehearsal

Wed., Dec. 5, 6:30-8:00-Youth Group decorate Church for Christmas

Thank you to all who participated in our church directory photography days last week. If you did not have your photo taken you are encouraged to send in a jpeg picture or an actual photograph. Don't forget to include the names of all the people in the picture, your address, phone number and email address as you would like it to appear in the directory. Deadline is Nov.28.

If you would like a sitting by Lifetouch please call the office this week and Merrie will tell you how to call for a sitting at an area church.

Thank you to all who sent cards and memorials when my brother, Dwain, passed away. It's wonderful to be a part of such a caring church family. -Marlin & Lois

SPECIAL THANK YOU! Thanks to all who purchased wreaths from the youth group this year. All proceeds go to help the group with retreats, mission trips and other wonderful activities.

Thanks to the youth, parents and other volunteers that helped on our wreath making day. We couldn't do this without your dedication. Jason & DeeDee Fredlund, Youth Directors

If you ordered a wreath please pick it up today after worship in the church garage. Please do not pick one up without having it checked off the list by a youth representative.



Known to be hospitalized this week:

Irene Lundquist - United Hospital

Alice & John Mortenson - Alice is in hospice at Parmly

Gloria Bourasa - recuperating at home

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Attendance: 101

Financial Picture: Numbers will be published next week

Bible Study Opportunities:

Scriptural Text Bible Study “Text Time,” Tuesdays., at 10:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room with Pastor Marla

MEN’S BIBLE STUDY with Jim Mielke at 9:00 a.m. in the Fireside Room. We will continue looking at the book of Revelation. We will be meeting through November & December til Dec. 20 and then take a break.

NEW SUNDAY MORNING STUDY WITH JIM!

We will meet right after worship—grab your cup of coffee and meet in the Sanctuary basement. **Explore the New Testament from the Gospel of Matthew to the Book of Revelation with this 24-part study.** This study begins with a DVD presentation each week. You can come for every topic or come for the ones that especially interest you. The titles will be published in the bulletin.

This week’s topic: 3. Ancient Judaism

There will be no study next week, Dec. 2, so we can all go to the Christmas Brunch, Bake and Craft sale!

Discover how historical research can illuminate the New Testament—the most widely read book in history—in this riveting course that combines Biblical scholarship, archaeological discoveries, and literary analysis. Call if you have questions: Jim Mielke at 651-587-7177; or church office 651-583-2340. *New Participants expected and wanted!*

Naomi Circle is again collecting children’s pajamas and women’s personal items for the Refuge. In the past they have been extremely grateful for this and our Circle wants to say thank you to all



of you who have given so generously to this and are hoping you will want to continue to contribute to this project this year. There are labeled boxes in the gathering area and we ask that you have your gifts here by Sunday, December 9th. Thank you and blessings to you for caring and sharing.

-Naomi Circle Members

Our Mitten Tree is up in the Narthex through mid Dec. Bring donations of winter accessories hats, gloves, scarves, mittens and socks for all ages.

P: Will you steal?

Congregation: From others? No! From the land? No! From past generations and generations yet to come? No!

R: Will you murder?

Congregation: Murder the ways that lead to justice? No! Murder the works that lead to peace? No!

P: Will you swear falsely?

Congregation: In the name of truth and not mean it? No! In the name of justice and not mean it? No! In the name of the kingdom and not mean it? No!

R: Will you burn incense to others gods?

Congregation: Such as power? No! Such as money? No! Such as fame and wealth? No!

P: This is the house of the Lord!

R: This is the house of the Lord!

Congregation: This is the house of the Lord!

P: Turn from your past,

R: and move into the future.

Congregation: We will live renewed in our faith!

P: Turn from your past,

R: and move into the future.

Congregation: We will not visit these abominations again!

P: Turn from your past,

R: and move into the future.

Congregation: We will stand in the gateway and behold God!

P: This is the house of the Lord!

R: This is the house of the Lord!

Congregation: This is the house of the Lord!

Gospel Acclamation ELW #344 *All Glory, Laud, and Honor*, vs. 1

Gospel Matthew 21:12-13 **ALL: Glory to You, O Lord.**

¹²Then Jesus entered the temple and drove out all who were selling and buying in the temple, and he overturned the tables of the money changers and the seats of those who sold doves. ¹³He said to them, “It is written, ‘My house shall be called a house of prayer’; but you are making it a den of robbers.”

Reader: The gospel of the Lord

Congregation: Praise to you, O Christ

Special Music “A Song of Thanksgiving” ILC Choir

Children’s Sermon Pastor Marla

(There is no Sunday School today because of the Thanksgiving Holiday. Children should return to sit with their families.)

The Sharing of the Peace “Peace be with you” “And also with you.”

Sermon Pastor Marla Amborn

Hymn of the Day ELW #858 *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*

Creed

Pulpit Side: We look out onto the world.

Organ Side: We look in to the sanctuary of God.

Pulpit: We look out on the hunger of the world, the needs of the people and the call of justice.

Organ: We look into the holy place of God's word, renewing us, calling us, inviting us.

Pulpit: We look out to where faith is needed.

Organ: We look in to where faith is found.

Pulpit: This is the temple of the Lord.

Organ: The temple of the Lord.

ALL: The temple of the Lord.

Pulpit: We look out on a world that cascades with beauty.

Organ: We look in to the beauty of God.

Pulpit: We look out on a creation fashioned in the imagination of the creator.

Organ: We look in to the place of renewed creation, made in God's image.

Pulpit: We look out on an environment always changing, stripped of its resources.

Organ: We look into a place that calls for balance, renewal and a new way of living.

Pulpit: This is the temple of the Lord.

Organ: The temple of the Lord.

ALL: The temple of the Lord.

Pulpit: We look out on a world that is losing faith.

Organ: We look in to a church struggling with the world.

Pulpit: We look out on the place we are called to live.

Organ: We look in to the place where our living is given meaning.

Pulpit: We look out to where we are called to travel faithfully.

Organ: We look in to where that faith begins.

Pulpit: This is the temple of the Lord.

Organ: The temple of the Lord.

ALL: The temple of the Lord.

Intercessory Prayers (*after each petition respond with:*)

P: Lord in your mercy, **C: Hear our prayer.**

Tithes and Offerings

Offering Hymn ELW #408 *Come, Thou Almighty King*

Offering Prayer

Lord's Prayer ELW page 173

Sending

Pastor: Having entered the house of your people

All: we now exit towards the community of your world.

P: Having sought your Spirit to bless us

All: we now exit with your Spirit to bless all.

P: Having received your word

All: we now go and speak this word, share it, live it, love it.

Benediction

Sending Hymn ELW #434 *Jesus Shall Reign*, vs. 1, 2, 4, 5

Dismissal P: Go in peace, serve the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Postlude

WELCOME TO WORSHIP TODAY!

Visitors, please sign our guest book located in the back of the sanctuary. If you are interested in knowing more about our congregation please speak to Pastor Marla today or call the church this week! Contact info is on the back of this bulletin.

Prayer shawls will be dedicated today during worship. Thank you ladies for your dedication to this wonderful ministry!

Encourage all children who can read to follow along in the bulletin and hymnal during our worship service today! There are children's bulletins at the back of the Sanctuary. **Sunday School for age 3-grade 6** will resume next Sunday right after the children's sermon. There is no Sunday School today because of the holiday. A **nursery & mother's lounge** is located in the upper floor of the addition, with a speaker in the room so you can hear the service. **We provide volunteer Nursery Care** each week beginning at 9:15.

All are welcome to come to the Fellowship Hall for coffee and conversation—make some new friends!

New Testament Bible Study will be held today right after worship in the Sanctuary Basement! Grab your cup of coffee and come! Jim looks forward to welcoming you to this new study!

Looking Ahead...

Please join us for the annual Christmas Brunch, craft and bake sale on December 2 after the service. Donations of bake sale items, cookies for cookie boxes and craft items needed. Please bring them to church on Sun., Dec. 2 at 9am. This is a fundraiser to pay for winter heat bills.