



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
Immanuel Lutheran School &
Children of Grace Preschool
20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS
JANUARY 1, 2023

HYMN - 362 “Come, Your Hearts and Voices Raising”

We follow Setting One on page 154.

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GLORY BE TO GOD

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, the martyred innocents of Bethlehem showed forth your praise not by speaking but by dying. Put to death in us all that is in conflict with your will that our lives may bear witness to the faith we profess with our lips; 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 63:7-9

I will tell of the kindnesses of the LORD, the deeds for which he is to be praised, according to all the LORD has done for us—yes, the many good things he has done for Israel, according to his compassion and many kindnesses. He said, “Surely they are my people, children who will be true to me”; and so he became their Savior. In all their distress he too was distressed, and the angel of his presence saved them. In his love and mercy he redeemed them; he lifted them up and carried them all the days of old.

PSALM 2

SECOND READING – Galatians 4:4-7

But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, “*Abba*, Father.” So you are no longer a slave, but God’s child; and since you are his child, God has made you also an heir.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 161



Refrain



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

Pastor: Sing to the Lord a / new song;

His right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation / for him.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Matthew 2:13-23

When they had gone, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream. “Get up,” he said, “take the child and his mother and escape to Egypt. Stay there until I tell you, for Herod is going to search for the child to kill him.”

So he got up, took the child and his mother during the night and left for Egypt, where he stayed until the death of Herod. And so was fulfilled what the Lord had said through the prophet: “Out of Egypt I called my son.”

When Herod realized that he had been outwitted by the Magi, he was furious, and he gave orders to kill all the boys in Bethlehem and its vicinity who were two years old and under, in accordance with the time he had learned from the Magi. Then what was said through the prophet Jeremiah was fulfilled:

“A voice is heard in Ramah,
weeping and great mourning,
Rachel weeping for her children
and refusing to be comforted,
because they are no more.”

After Herod died, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt and said, “Get up, take the child and his mother and go to the land of

Israel, for those who were trying to take the child's life are dead."

So he got up, took the child and his mother and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaus was reigning in Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there. Having been warned in a dream, he withdrew to the district of Galilee, and he went and lived in a town called Nazareth. So was fulfilled what was said through the prophets, that he would be called a Nazarene.

HYMN – 355 “Let All Together Praise Our God”

SERMON – Galatians 4:4-7

“Become True Children of God”

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

HYMN - 334 “I Stand beside Your Manger Here”

PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN - 364 “Love Has Come”

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Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek **Elder:** Steve Plamann
Video Taping: Mark DeVries **Power Point:** Lily DeVries
Altar Guild: Deb Boelter and Julie Thompson
Ushers: Jeremy Prieve, Michael Thompson, Chuck Nisse, Brad Duesterhoeft, Andy Prieve, Alex Prieve, Kyle Podratz

Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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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



<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutch>

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



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Living in God's Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service
Monday	6:30	p.m.	Choir
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
	8:00	p.m.	School Board
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
			<i>Take down Christmas Decorations after church</i>
Monday	6:30	p.m.	Choir
	6:30	p.m.	PTF
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study

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Please help! If you could stay after church next Sunday (January 8) to assist taking down the Christmas decorations, it would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you!

The family of Betty Henke would like to thank the congregation for all your prayers, cards, hugs, memorials, visits, friendship, and support. Also, all your help with her funeral. And, especially your love that you gave to Betty.

God's blessings to all of you.



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.

Please note if you wish to sign up for bulletins and/or flowers, the 2023 listing is located in the Church office on the bulletin board. Also, on the bulletin board is the Church Calendar for reserving the basement.



Immanuel Lutheran School's WINTER FUNDRAISER

is a school calendar. The cost is \$10/each. They are located on the school table in the church entryway. There is a "yellow" box to place your money in. If any questions, please contact Brian Gephart.

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Upcoming Annual Meetings

January 17th – Annual Voter's Meeting/Congregational Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone invited to attend.

January 18th – 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 17th. Please consider giving of your time and talents when called upon.

- Vice-Chairman
- Treasurer
- 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 18th meeting for the following:

- Vice President
- Secretary/Treasurer
- Director (3 year term)

Please contact Janel Radunz or Deb Boelter 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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Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st through 8th Grade

School Calendar

Wednesday, January 4 – back to School!

Tuesday, January 10 – Home Basketball game at Northwoods



BUILDING FAITH FOUNDATIONS - New School

Building: Below is a link to our Thrivent page where you, family, alumni, and friends can donate to our building fund. Just click on the link, then push the Make Personal

Donation button. We also have this information on our website (www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com) under Building Project with a Donation button that leads you to the same Thrivent page. For traditional check donations envelopes can be provided if you know someone that would rather go that route than online. BUILDING PROJECT | Hutchinsonlutheran (hutchinsonlutherschool.com)

The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school with various activities....won't you help?



SCRIP A current list of the gift cards available thru the school is posted on the bulletin board. You pay the face value of the card and the school receives the % listed. We also carry Cash Wise/Coborns (\$25, \$50, \$100) which does not show on this list. The money earned provides your children with their field trips throughout the year. Remember the cards are available all year long. Thank you for your support of our School and Pre School. *Karen Kohls*

- **Caseys Rewards.** – Go to www.caseys.com
- **cocacola.com/give** – for Coke products, enter the code
- **Country Hearth – Loaves4Learning**
- **Ink Cartridges** – There is a collection box in the entryway.
- **School Store Fundraiser** - www.schoolstore.com
- **Amazon Fundraiser** - www.smile.amazon.com
- **Cash Wise Rewards**– enroll at www.morewards.com
- **BoxTops** – This is all digital. For us to get credit, you will need to download the Boxtops for Education App on your smart phone, search Immanuel Lutheran School, Hutchinson and scan your entire receipt.

A complete listing with details is on the table in the entry way by the school display. Thank you for your help.

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**G.I.L.L. – Grace and Immanuel
Luther League**

3D Night

Please connect with Pastor DeVries for details



Grab your friends and join area youth for the **Central Minnesota WELS Youth Night** on January 29, 2023 in Sartell, MN. (3:15p Registration; Event 3:30p to 5:30p; Pick up by 6p) Enjoy games, music, snacks and fellowship while digging into some tough topics that could impact your life every day. You will learn what the Bible has to say about them and find comfort and hope in God's promises. This event will give you the opportunity to grow your relationship with God while witnessing the power of a community of Christian youth. **You are not alone!** Please contact Pastor DeVries at pastor@eugenedevries.com for more information on being involved with planning and/or attending the event. This event is free and non-WELS members are welcomed to join you.

WELS YOUTH NIGHT

**GATHER THREE TIMES A YEAR WITH
YOUTH IN YOUR AREA. LEARN AND
GROW TOGETHER AS CHRISTIANS.
HAVE FUN AND BE ENCOURAGED IN
YOUR FAITH.**

YOUTH NIGHT DATE: Sunday, January 29th, 2023

TIME: Registration 3:15pm / Event 3:30pm-5:30pm / Pick-up by 6:00pm

LOCATION: Sartell Community Center (850 19th Street South, Sartell 56377)

WELS Youth Night provides a series of youth-focused events, three times a year, not only for the youth of our congregation but also the youth from area congregations. Experience an inspiring evening of games, music, God's Word, small group discussion, and fun with fellow high schoolers (9th-12th grade) from all over the area.



Register [HERE](#)



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