



FIRST SUNDAY AFTER CHRISTMAS  
DECEMBER 27, 2020

**HYMN – 80 “Angels from the Realms of Glory”**

INVOCATION

M: The grace of our Lord ☩ Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you

**C: And also with you.**

**CONFESSION & ABSOLUTION**

M: God invites us to come into his presence and worship him with humble and penitent hearts. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

**C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

M: Let us pray.

Almighty God, in mercy you sent your one and only Son to take upon himself our human nature. By his gracious coming deliver us from the corruption of our sin and transform us into the likeness of his glory; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

**LESSON – Isaiah 45:20-25**

<sup>20</sup> “Gather together and come; assemble, you fugitives from the nations. Ignorant are those who carry about idols of wood, who pray to gods that cannot save. <sup>21</sup> Declare what is to be, present it—let them take counsel together. Who foretold this long ago, who declared it from the distant past? Was it not I, the Lord? And there is no God apart from me, a righteous God and a Savior; there is none but me. <sup>22</sup> “Turn to me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other. <sup>23</sup> By myself I have sworn, my mouth has uttered in all integrity a word that will not be revoked: Before me every knee will bow; by me every tongue will swear.

<sup>24</sup> They will say of me, ‘In the Lord alone are deliverance and strength.’” All who have raged against him will come to him and be put to shame. <sup>25</sup> But all the descendants of Israel will find deliverance in the Lord and will make their boast in him.

**PSALM 111**

M: Great are the works of the Lord;

**C: they are pondered by all who delight in them.**

M: Glorious and majestic are his deeds;

**C: and his righteousness endures forever.**

M: He has caused his wonders to be remembered;

**C: the Lord is gracious and compassionate.**

M: The works of his hands are faithful and just;

**C: all his precepts are trustworthy.**

M: He provided redemption for his people;

**C: he ordained his covenant forever.**

M: The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom;

**C: all who follow his precepts have good understanding.**

**All: Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

**GOSPEL – Luke 2:25-40**

<sup>25</sup> Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was on him. <sup>26</sup> It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord’s Messiah. <sup>27</sup> Moved by the Spirit, he went

into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, <sup>28</sup> Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying:

<sup>29</sup> “Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you may now dismiss your servant in peace. <sup>30</sup> For my eyes have seen your salvation, <sup>31</sup> which you have prepared in the sight of all nations:

<sup>32</sup> a light for revelation to the Gentiles, and the glory of your people Israel.”

<sup>33</sup> The child’s father and mother marveled at what was said about him. <sup>34</sup> Then Simeon blessed them and said to Mary, his mother: “This child is destined to cause the falling and rising of many in Israel, and to be a sign that will be spoken against, <sup>35</sup> so that the thoughts of many hearts will be revealed. And a sword will pierce your own soul too.”

<sup>36</sup> There was also a prophet, Anna, the daughter of Penuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was very old; she had lived with her husband seven years after her marriage, <sup>37</sup> and then was a widow until she was eighty-four. She never left the temple but worshiped night and day, fasting and praying. <sup>38</sup> Coming up to them at that very moment, she gave thanks to God and spoke about the child to all who were looking forward to the redemption of Jerusalem.

<sup>39</sup> When Joseph and Mary had done everything required by the Law of the Lord, they returned to Galilee to their own town of Nazareth. <sup>40</sup> And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him.

## APOSTLES’ CREED

**HYMN - 41 “Let All Together Praise Our God”**

**SERMON – Luke 2:25-40**

**“The Miracle of Faith Grasps the Miracle of the Incarnation”**

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH**

**LORD’S PRAYER**

**BLESSING**

**M:** The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ☩ give you peace.

**C:** Amen.

**HYMN – 329 “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing”**

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**OFFERING - Offerings may be placed in the plate as you leave the sanctuary**

**Serving today at Immanuel:**

**Organist:** Jane Vacek **Elder:** Steve Plamann

**Video Taping:** Mark DeVries

**Power Point:** Mike Heine **Altar Guild:** Betty Henke and Donna Telecky  
**Ushers:** Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, Tom Schlueter, Lucas Plamann

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Monthly Calendar (under calendar) Weekly Bulletins (under service)

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### Living in God’s Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	<del>9:00 a.m.</del>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
Monday:	<del>6:30 p.m.</del>	<b>Choir</b>
	7:30 p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday:	<del>4:15 p.m.</del>	<b>Confirmation</b>
Thursday:	7:00 p.m.	Service at Immanuel
Friday:	No New Year’s Day Service	
Sunday:	<del>9:00 a.m.</del>	<b>Sunday School</b>
	10:00 a.m.	Worship Service
	<i>Take down the Christmas Trees</i>	



**Please help! If you could stay after church on Sunday, January 3<sup>rd</sup> to assist taking down the Christmas decorations, it would be greatly appreciated.**

**Thank you!**

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### Weather Closings

Winter weather will soon be with us again. On days with questionable weather, meetings and/or worship cancellations will be announced on KDUZ -1260 AM radio and on the website: [www.immanuelhutch.com](http://www.immanuelhutch.com)

### Upcoming Annual Meetings

**January 19<sup>th</sup> – Annual Voter’s Meeting/Congregational Meeting at 7:00 p.m.**

*Everyone invited to attend.*

**January 20<sup>th</sup> – Ladies Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m.**



Belle Plaine nursing home is requesting we do not collect Christmas gift wrapping bags. They currently have plenty in stock. *Thank you.*

**THANK YOU** - Thank you to all who made donations towards the Belle Plaine Christmas gifts It is greatly appreciated.

*Sharon Smith*

**New Year’s Eve at Joint Service at Immanuel at 7:00 p.m.  
No New Year’s Day Service**



### 2021 Directory

The Church Directory will be updated for 2021, if you have a change in address and/or phone, please let Julie Thompson know. Also, if you would like your email address included. Either place the information in box #75 or send it to her via email at [juliethompson@mchsi.com](mailto:juliethompson@mchsi.com). Thank you!

The **Ladies’ Executive Board** decided NOT to have the January Ladies Annual meeting. The groups will not be serving Lenten suppers again this year. Kitchen inventory is not due until January of 2022. Current President, Mary Ann Dettman and Director, JoAnn Kallemeyn have agreed to continue in their positions an additional year. No elections will be held until January of 2022. The next meeting is July 14 at 7:00p. If there are any issues that need to be addressed before that time, please contact Mary Ann or one of the Directors and we will hold an Executive Board meeting to discuss the issue. *Thank you.*

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***Thank you to those that contributed to Emily Ash’s Christmas gift. Your gifts were sent to her along with a \$75 gas card.***



### Choice Dollars®

Do you have Choice Dollars® available? Have you directed them? You can direct to thousands of organizations enrolled in the program - *including Immanuel Lutheran Church and School!*



**Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Children of Grace Pre-School**

NEW WEBSITE: [www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com](http://www.hutchinsonlutherschool.com)  
<https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutchinson>



*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*

- **\*\*New\*\* Caseys Rewards.** – Go to [www.caseys.com](http://www.caseys.com)
- [cocacola.com/give](http://cocacola.com/give) – for Coke products, enter the code
- **Country Hearth - Loaves4Learning**
- **Ink Cartridges** – There is a collection box in the entryway.
- **School Mall Fundraiser** - [www.SchoolMall.com](http://www.SchoolMall.com)
- **Amazon Fundraiser** - [www.smile.amazon.com](http://www.smile.amazon.com)
- **Cash Wise Points**– enroll at [www.cashwise.com](http://www.cashwise.com)



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