

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

# SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT DECEMBER 4, 2022

### HYMN - 321 "God's Own Son Most Holy"

We follow Setting Two on page 172.

### CONFESSION

### LORD, HAVE MERCY (page 174)

In place of GLORY BE TO GOD, sing #627 "To God Be the Glory"

To God be the glory, great things he has done! So loved he the world that he gave us his Son, who yielded his life an atonement for sin and opened the life-gate that all may go in.

Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the earth hear his voice! Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord! Let the people rejoice! O come to the Father, through Jesus the Son and give him the glory, great things he has done!

Great things he has taught us, great things he has done, and great our rejoicing through Jesus the Son, but purer and higher and greater will be our joy and our wonder when Jesus we see.

# The Word

### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Stir up our hearts, O Lord, to prepare the way for your only Son. By his coming, give us strength in our conflicts, and shed light on our path through the darkness of this world; 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 11:1-10

A shoot will come up from the stump of Jesse; from his roots a Branch will bear fruit. <sup>2</sup> The Spirit of the LORD will rest on him—the Spirit of wisdom and of understanding, the Spirit of counsel and of might, the Spirit of the knowledge and fear of the LORD—<sup>3</sup> and he will delight in the fear of the LORD. He will not judge by what he sees with his eyes, or decide by what he hears with his ears; <sup>4</sup> but with righteousness he will judge the needy, with justice he will give decisions for the poor of the earth. He will strike the earth with the rod of his mouth; with the breath of his lips he will slay the wicked. <sup>5</sup> Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. <sup>6</sup> The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them. <sup>7</sup> The cow will feed with the bear, their young will lie down together, and the lion will eat straw like the ox.

<sup>8</sup> The infant will play near the cobra's den, and the young child will put its hand into the viper's nest. <sup>9</sup> They will neither harm nor destroy on all my holy mountain, for the earth will be filled with the knowledge of the LORD as the waters cover the sea.

<sup>10</sup> In that day the Root of Jesse will stand as a banner for the peoples; the nations will rally to him, and his resting place will be glorious.

### PSALM 130

### SECOND READING – Romans 15:4-13

<sup>4</sup>For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.

<sup>5</sup> May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, <sup>6</sup> so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.

<sup>7</sup>Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God. <sup>8</sup>For I tell you that Christ has become a servant of the Jews on behalf of God's truth, so that the promises made to the patriarchs might be confirmed <sup>9</sup> and, moreover, that the Gentiles might glorify God for his mercy. As it is written:

"Therefore I will praise you among the Gentiles; I will sing the praises of your name." <sup>10</sup> Again, it says, "Rejoice, you Gentiles, with his people." <sup>11</sup> And again, "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles; let all the peoples extol him." <sup>12</sup> And again, Isaiah says, "The Root of Jesse will spring up, one who will arise to rule over the nations; in him the Gentiles will hope."

<sup>13</sup> May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 179**



Pastor: Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him. And all people will see God's salvation.

Refrain

#### **GOSPEL** –Matthew 3:1-12

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea<sup>2</sup> and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." <sup>3</sup> This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness, 'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him." <sup>4</sup> John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. <sup>5</sup> People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. <sup>6</sup> Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

<sup>7</sup> But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? <sup>8</sup> Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. <sup>9</sup> And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. <sup>10</sup> The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

<sup>11</sup> "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>12</sup> His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."

HYMN - 316 "On Jordan's Bank the Baptist's Cry"

**SERMON – Romans 15:4-13** 

"God's Spirit Gives Us Endurance"

**APOSTLES' CREED** 

**PRAYER OF THE CHURCH** 

#### **OFFERING**

HYMN - 312 "Comfort, Comfort All My People"

PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN - 304 "What Hope! An Eden Prophesied"

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#### 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.

#### Variety of Greeting Cards



The Ladies' Aid has a variety cards available for sale in the Church Library. They are sold by the box and/or individual cards. Holiday cards are coming soon. Be sure to check it out! Prices will be marked accordingly.



**A Door Offering** – Will be held on today, December 4<sup>th</sup> and December 11<sup>th</sup> for the children's candy bags that will be handed out on Christmas Eve. Thank you.



Christmas Around the World TODAY - Sunday, December 4, 2022 Open House/Come-and-Go 5p to 7p in Church Basement Enjoy samples of Food See other traditions

# **Christmas Services Schedule**

**Christmas Eve** Zion at 3:00 p.m. Immanuel at 7:00 p.m. – *Children's Service* 

#### **Christmas Day** Zion at 8:45 a.m. Immanuel at 10 a.m.

New Year's Eve at Immanuel at 7:00 p.m. with Communion

#### Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist:Jill DettmanElder:Steve PlamannVideo Taping:Mark DeVriesPower Point:Lily DeVriesAltar Guild:Betty Henke and Donna TeleckyUshers:Kori Leske, Jay Mackedanz, Craig Kohls, Carl Horrmann, TomSchlueter,Lucas Plamann, Steve Wendorff, Mike Yerks

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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 pmon 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

Foday, Sunday:	9:00 10:00	a.m. a.m.	Sunday School Worship Service
Monday	5 to 7 6:30 7:00	p.m. p.m. p.m.	Door Offering for Christmas Candy Bags Christmas Around the World Choir Bible Study
Wednesday	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
Saturday	9:00	a.m.	Children's Christmas Practice Children's Christmas Party
Sunday:	9:00 10:00	a.m. a.m.	Sunday School Worship Service
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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 17<sup>th</sup>. 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 18<sup>th</sup> 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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And if anyone has an update to their address and/or please phone, Julie Thompson let know. juliethompson@mchsi.com or Church Box #75.



If you would like to join in the fun to se The Church Basement Ladies -Plowin Thru, on Saturday, January 14, at 3 p.m. at the Ames Center in Burnsville. Please sign up on the sheet in the entryway by Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>.

There are 6 front row seats (no stairs) and 3 rows behind. \$36 per ticket.

Transportation will be extra provided by the Hutch School Bus. Will stop and eat on the way home at Unhinged Pizza, Glencoe. "The year is 1975 and all our favorite characters are back!"

> Kwik trip has a new promotion going on for in store purchases.

There is a new "GROCERY" card and by using this card, 15% is donated to the school.

(*excludes: fuel, tobacco, alcohol, lottery or stamps*) The regular Kwik trip cards are still available for fuel and instore purchases, and will donate 5% to the school.



If you would like to purchase Scrip cards (now called Raise Right) for Christmas, the deadline for Christmas orders will be December 11. On hand is a supply of popular cards for anything last minute. Cash Wise is not on the list, but I do have cards for Cash Wise/Coborns. Just a reminder, the cards pay the face value of the card and the school gets the rebate % which is used for trips during the year. Please see Karen Kohls. During the previous school year it paid \$1,322 in bus fares on various trips.



Preschool, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade



**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 (<u>www.hutchinsonlutheranschool.com</u>) 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. <u>BUILDING PROJECT</u> | Hutchinsonlutheran (hutchinsonlutheranschool.com)

The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school withvarious 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 ourSchool 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 <u>www.schoolstore.com</u>
- Amazon Fundraiser <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>
- Cash Wise Rewards- enroll at <u>www.morerewards.com</u>
- *BoxTops* This is all digital. For us to get credit, you will needto 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 schooldisplay. Thank you for your help.



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