

**TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST
NOVEMBER 19, 2023**

HYMN – 648 “Dearest Jesus, We Are Here”



*We begin with Holy Baptism on page 151. Today we welcome **Addilynn Jeanne Pagel** into the family of God. She is the daughter of Nicholas and Mikkayla Pagel. Addilynn’s sponsors are Natasha Tews, Amanda Tews, Heather Muetzel and Katelyn Pagel.*

Following the baptism our service continues on page 176.

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith, and present us at last holy and blameless before you; 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 1:10-18

¹⁰ Hear the word of the LORD, you rulers of Sodom; listen to the instruction of our God, you people of Gomorrah! ¹¹ “The multitude of your sacrifices—what are they to me?” says the LORD. “I have more than enough of burnt offerings, of rams and the fat of fattened animals; I have no pleasure in the blood of bulls and lambs and goats. ¹² When you come to appear before me, who has asked this of you, this trampling of my courts?

¹³ Stop bringing meaningless offerings! Your incense is detestable to me. New Moons, Sabbaths and convocations—I cannot bear your worthless assemblies. ¹⁴ Your New Moon feasts and your appointed festivals I hate with all my being. They have become a burden to me; I am weary of bearing them. ¹⁵ When you spread out your hands in prayer, I hide my eyes from you; even when you offer many prayers, I am not listening. Your hands are full of blood!

¹⁶ Wash and make yourselves clean. Take your evil deeds out of my sight; stop doing wrong. ¹⁷ Learn to do right; seek justice. Defend the oppressed. Take up the cause of the fatherless; plead the case of the widow. ¹⁸ “Come now, let us settle the matter,” says the LORD. “Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool.

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SECOND READING – Romans 12:1-8

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. ² Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.

³ For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the faith God has distributed to each of you. ⁴ For just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. ⁶ We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; ⁷ if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; ⁸ if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.

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Refrain



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

All: Be faithful, even to the / point of death,
And I will give you life as your / victor's crown.

Refrain

GOSPEL – Matthew 25:14-30

¹⁴“Again, it will be like a man going on a journey, who called his servants and entrusted his wealth to them. ¹⁵To one he gave five bags of gold, to another two bags, and to another one bag, each according to his ability. Then he went on his journey. ¹⁶The man who had received five bags of gold went at once and put his money to work and gained five bags more. ¹⁷So also, the one with two bags of gold gained two more. ¹⁸But the man who had received one bag went off, dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money.

¹⁹“After a long time the master of those servants returned and settled accounts with them. ²⁰The man who had received five bags of gold brought the other five. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with five bags of gold. See, I have gained five more.’

²¹“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!’

²²“The man with two bags of gold also came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘you entrusted me with two bags of gold; see, I have gained two more.’

²³“His master replied, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master's happiness!’

²⁴“Then the man who had received one bag of gold came. ‘Master,’ he said, ‘I knew that you are a hard man, harvesting where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered seed. ²⁵So I was afraid and went out and hid your gold in the ground. See, here is what belongs to you.’

²⁶“His master replied, ‘You wicked, lazy servant! So you knew that I harvest where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered seed? ²⁷Well then, you should have put my money on deposit with the bankers, so that when I returned I would have received it back with interest.

²⁸“So take the bag of gold from him and give it to the one who has ten bags. ²⁹For whoever has will be given more, and they will have an abundance. Whoever does not have, even what they have will be taken from them. ³⁰And throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.’

HYMN – 751 “O God, Your Hand the Heavens Made”

SERMON – Matthew 25:14-30

“Be a Faithful Christian”

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

THE SACRAMENT - *We invite those who hold membership in this church or any church in fellowship with WELS, to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

736 “Lord You Call Us as Your People”

660 “Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face”

BLESSING

HYMN - 930 “Go, My Children, with My Blessing”

The bulletins for today's service are in honor of Addilynn's baptism and the flowers on the altar are in memory of her Great-Grandmother, Norma Plath.

Today Addilynn shares her special day with her Great-Grandmother Norma's birthday.

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Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek **Elder:** Steve Plamann
Video Taping: Mark DeVries **Power Point:** Lily DeVries
Altar Guild: Betty Rusch and Karen Plath
Ushers: Andy Weber, Jon Hoff, Justin Black, Bruce Trick, Don Dettman, Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer, Nolan Hoff

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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



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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 w/ Communion
Monday:	6:30	a.m.	Choir
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday:	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
Thursday:	8:45	a.m.	Thanksgiving Worship at Zion
	10:00	a.m.	Thanksgiving Worship at ILC
Saturday:	9:00	a.m.	Set up Christmas Trees
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service

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During the Season of Advent, we would like to have a "Hymn Sing" during the offering. We will be singing 3 or 4 hymns on each Advent Sunday.

There is a sheet in the entryway on the table to write down your favorite Advent and/or Christmas Hymns. If any questions, please feel free to contact Julie Thompson.



Immanuel Lutheran School Calendar

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday – November 22, 23,24
No School



Poinsettias

If you would like to help beautify our church with poinsettias in celebration of Jesus' birth, please sign up on the sheet in the entry way by **TODAY**, November 19th. Colors are red, pink and white at a cost of \$12 each. If you have any questions, please contact Donna Telecky.



Church Decorating

THIS SATURDAY, November 25 at 9:00 a.m. we will be decorating the church for Christmas. If you have an hour or so to assist, it would be greatly appreciated.



And if anyone has an update to their address, phone and/or email address, please let Julie Thompson know. juliethompson@mchsi.com or Church Box #75.



A Door Offering – Will be held on Sundays, December 3rd and December 10th for the children's candy bags that will be handed out on Christmas Eve.

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Thanksgiving Services
Thursday, November 23
8:45 a.m. at Zion Lutheran
10 a.m. at Immanuel



Variety of Greeting Cards

The Ladies' Aid has a variety of 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.



If you would like to purchase **Scrip cards** (now called *Raise Right*) for Christmas, the deadline for Christmas orders will be **December 10**.

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.



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.



IGLS is looking for someone to **refinish some shelving** units. We have a couple used shelves that need to be sanded and either re-stained or painted for the new school building. If you would be interested in volunteering to help with this please let Brittany Clark know at the school, 320-587-4858 or ilschool@hutchtel.net, we'd like them finished before Christmas so they can be installed in the new building.

If you have time and would like a good project let us know!

Preschool, Kindergarten, 1st through 8th Grade

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
- **Cash Wise Rewards**– enroll at www.morerewards.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.



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.hutchinsonlutheralschool.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 |**
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Thank you for your support!



The School qualified to receive financing through LACE (Lutheran Association for Church Extension). What is not covered through fundraising

will be financed through this organization. The proposed school budget covers all loan payments without requiring extra financial commitments from our congregations.

LACE provides an opportunity for WELS members to purchase investments and receive interest payments. These investments help lower the interest rate on the building's loan payments through LACE.

They are currently offering a 2 YEAR SPECIAL* 5.30%

Visit laceinc.org to learn more and/or to obtain the application.

Designate Immanuel Lutheran School to help reduce the cost of the loan for the school. Only WELS or ELS members are eligible to participate.