



Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church
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THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 25, 2026

HYMN – 792 “O Trinity, Most Blessed Light”

We follow Setting Two on page 172.

CONFESSION

LORD, HAVE MERCY

GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

The Word

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty God, you sent your Son to proclaim your kingdom and teach with authority. Anoint us with the power of your Spirit that we too may bring good news to the afflicted, bind up the brokenhearted, and proclaim liberty to the captive; 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 8:19-9:4

¹⁹When someone tells you to consult mediums and spiritists, who whisper and mutter, should not a people inquire of their God? Why consult the dead on behalf of the living? ²⁰Consult God’s instruction and the testimony of warning. If anyone does not speak according to this word, they have no light of dawn. ²¹Distressed and hungry, they will roam through the land; when they are famished, they will become enraged and, looking upward, will curse their king and their God. ²²Then they will look toward the earth and see only distress and darkness and fearful gloom, and they will be thrust into utter darkness.

^{9:1} Nevertheless, there will be no more gloom for those who were in distress. In the past he humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the future he will honor Galilee of the nations, by the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan—

² The people walking in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of deep darkness
a light has dawned.

³ You have enlarged the nation
and increased their joy;
they rejoice before you
as people rejoice at the harvest,
as warriors rejoice
when dividing the plunder.

⁴ For as in the day of Midian’s defeat,
you have shattered
the yoke that burdens them,
the bar across their shoulders,
the rod of their oppressor.

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SECOND READING – 1 John 2:3-11

³We know that we have come to know him if we keep his commands. ⁴Whoever says, “I know him,” but does not do what he commands is a liar, and the truth is not in that person. ⁵But if anyone obeys his word, love for God is truly made complete in them. This is how we know we are in him: ⁶Whoever claims to live in him must live as Jesus did.

⁷Dear friends, I am not writing you a new command but an old one, which you have had since the beginning. This old command is the message you have heard. ⁸Yet I am writing you a new command; its truth is seen in him and in you, because the darkness is passing and the true light is already shining.

⁹Anyone who claims to be in the light but hates a brother or sister is still in the darkness. ¹⁰Anyone who loves their brother and sister lives in the light, and there is nothing in them to make them stumble. ¹¹But anyone who hates a brother or sister is in the darkness and walks around in the darkness. They do not know where they are going, because the darkness has blinded them.

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Refrain



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



**All: The people walking in darkness have seen a / great light;
On those living in the land of deep
darkness a / light has dawned.**

Refrain

GOSPEL – Matthew 4:12-23

¹² When Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, he withdrew to Galilee. ¹³ Leaving Nazareth, he went and lived in Capernaum, which was by the lake in the area of Zebulun and Naphtali— ¹⁴ to fulfill what was said through the prophet Isaiah:

¹⁵ “Land of Zebulun and land of Naphtali,
the Way of the Sea, beyond the Jordan,
Galilee of the Gentiles—

¹⁶ the people living in darkness
have seen a great light;
on those living in the land of the shadow of death
a light has dawned.”

¹⁷ From that time on Jesus began to preach, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near.”

¹⁸ As Jesus was walking beside the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon called Peter and his brother Andrew. They were casting a net into the lake, for they were fishermen. ¹⁹ “Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will send you out to fish for people.” ²⁰ At once they left their nets and followed him.

²¹ Going on from there, he saw two other brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John. They were in a boat with their father Zebedee, preparing their nets. Jesus called them, ²² and immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him.

²³ Jesus went throughout Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the good news of the kingdom, and healing every disease and sickness among the people.

HYMN – 904 “O Christ, Our True and Only Light”

SERMON – Matthew 4:12-23

“Get Excited About the Light”

APOSTLES’ CREED

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

OFFERING

HYMN – 713 “Lord Jesus, You Have Come”

PRAYER

LORD’S PRAYER

BLESSING

HYMN – 381 “The People Who in Darkness Walked”



Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist: Jane Vacek **Elder:** Ryan Palmer
Video Taping: Mark DeVries **Power Point:** Hannah/Tyson
Altar Guild: Deb Boelter and Julie Thompson
Ushers: Jeremy Prieve, Michael Thompson, Brad Duesterhoeft,
Andy Prieve, Alex Prieve and Kyle Podratz, Ted Grof, Troy Melsha,
Cody Suess, Jack Zeidler

Living in God’s Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service
Monday:	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study at ILC
Tuesday:	7:00	p.m.	ANNUAL MEETING
Wednesday:	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service

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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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Sunday, February 8 after church we will
welcome *our new members*:

Paula, Brian, Tyson, Hannah and Emery Fox

Zach Markgraf

Jack and Sara Zeidler

Ted Grof

Nick Pagel

Babies Baptized:

Elisha Weber, Brady Weber, Bridger Heimerl,

Adeline Zeidler, Hucksen Melsha

Treats will be served in the church basement



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.



Sunday, February 15 at 4:30 p.m.

Church basement

Pizza ~ Puzzles ~ Pies



Family fun evening – Everyone Welcome!

Pizza will be served – we will have some fun with a little challenge of putting together puzzles. (Puzzles will be provided.)

Bring a Pie (or dessert) to share.

Hope to see you there!



Upcoming Annual Meeting

January 27th –

Annual Voter's Meeting/Congregational Meeting

at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone invited to attend.

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On February 8th, students with MLC Brass Ensemble will provide additional music during our service here at Immanuel. Our 3-5th grade teacher, Hope Horn; her husband, Jason, is a member of this ensemble.

This is part of their tour around WELS churches in southern Minnesota.

A Free Will Offering will also be held on Sunday, February 8, for this Brass Ensemble group.

Treats will be served in the church basement. Everyone is welcome!

Immanuel Grace Lutheran School Calendar

Tuesday, January 27 – Home Basketball game against Redwood Falls

Thursday, January 29 – Away Basketball game against Gaylord

Saturday, January 31 – MVL Basketball Tournament



Thank you! Thank you!!

To all those that participated in “Pay-The-Day” fundraiser for Immanuel Grace Lutheran School.

We raised: \$4,461.12

A call was extended to Brittany Trimmer from St. Stephen's Lutheran School in Beaver Dam, Wisconsin.

Please keep her in your prayers as she deliberates her current call and the call sent to her from Immanuel Grace Lutheran Church.

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SUPPORTING THE NEEDS OF OUR STUDENTS SINCE 1960!

Bingo Night

Tuesday, February 10, 2026

This highly anticipated event is sponsored by the MLC Auxiliary for all MLC students!



We are currently asking for the following donations: CASH, BAKED GOODS, and QUILTS/BLANKETS.

WE NEED YOUR DONATIONS!

Please drop them off at the MLC reception desk no later than February 3. Or mail them to 1995 Luther Court, New Ulm MN 56073.

For more information, email mlcauxiliary@mlc-wels.edu.



If you would like to purchase **Scrip cards** (now called **Raise Right**) - 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 or reach out to her via email kohls@hutchtel.net or text 320-444-0170.