Immanuel Lutheran Church Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

August 14, 2022 10:00 a.m.

THE VISION STATEMENT FOR IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

As the body of Christ, renewed by the Holy Spirit as a living community of believers, we are committed to sharing the love of Christ and the good news of salvation. We build relationships with others in the **Community Around Us**, while nurturing the **Community Among Us**, so all may know of and grow in the knowledge of our Lord and Savior.

GOD'S MISSION FOR IMMANUEL

Immanuel Lutheran Church is a community of God's people <u>rooted</u>, nourished, and educated in the Word of God, to include all people in its fellowship for the sake of Christ, and for their **eternal salvation**.

WELCOME VISITORS!

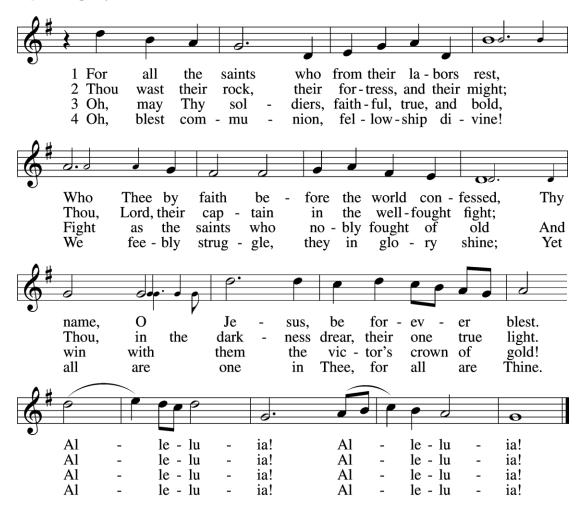
The Immanuel Lutheran congregation is pleased that you have joined us today. If you have no church home, we invite you to make your home among us.

COMMUNION AT IMMANUEL

We celebrate the Lord's Supper today! According to God's Word, you may commune with us if you:

- Have been baptized in the name of the Triune God,
- Have faith in Jesus Christ as God the Son, and your personal Savior from sin, death, and the devil.
- Have examined yourselves and recognize that you have sin that needs forgiveness, hurt that needs healing, faith that needs strengthening,
- Believe that in, with, and under the bread and wine you receive the true Body and Blood of the risen Christ, (1 Corinthians 10:16)
- Believe that the body and blood of the Lord will grant you forgiveness of your sins and new life.
- Desire to amend your sinfulness and live a life pleasing to God and in fellowship with His Church,
- Understand that to partake of the sacrament without examining yourself and recognizing the real presence of Christ's Body and Blood is to do so to your harm (1 Corinthians 11:27). If you do not agree with the above, or have questions, please see Pastor before communing at Immanuel

Opening Hymn #677 – "For All the Saints"



- 5 And when the fight is fierce, the warfare long, Steals on the ear the distant triumph song, And hearts are brave again, and arms are strong. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- 7 But, lo, there breaks a yet more glorious day: The saints triumphant rise in bright array; The King of Glory passes on His way. Alleluia! Alleluia!
- The golden evening brightens in the west; Soon, soon to faithful warriors cometh rest; Sweet is the calm of paradise the blest. Alleluia!
- 8 From earth's wide bounds, from ocean's farthest coast,

Through gates of pearl streams in the countless host,

Singing to Father, Son, and Holy Ghost: Alleluia! Alleluia!

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Divine Service, Setting Three

Invocation

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Stand

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

Confession and Absolution

- P Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.
- P I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- **and** You forgave the iniquity of my sin.

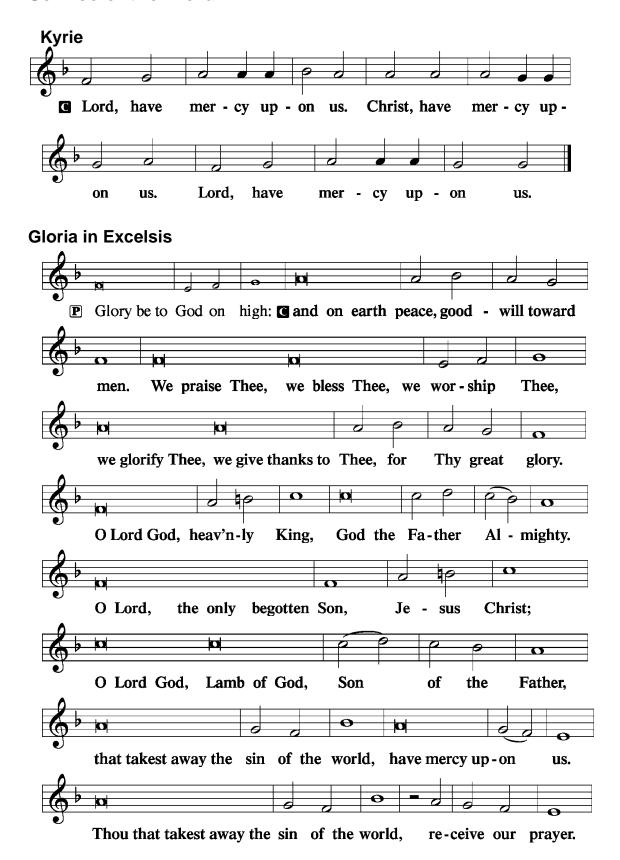
Kneel/Stand

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

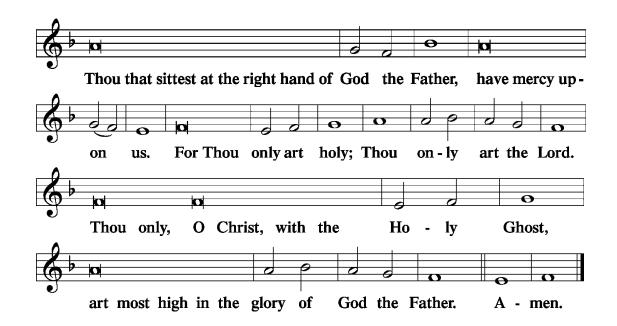
- P O almighty God, merciful Father,
- I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.
- P Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- **G** Amen.

Service of the Word



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SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

- **A** The Lord be with you.
- **C** And with thy spirit.
- A Let us pray.

 Merciful Lord, cleanse and defend Your Church by the sacrifice of Christ. United with
 Him in Holy Baptism, give us grace to receive with thanksgiving the fruits of His
 redeeming work and daily follow in His way; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son,

our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Sit

Old Testament Reading

Jeremiah 23:16-29

¹⁶Thus says the LORD of hosts: "Do not listen to the words of the prophets who prophesy to you, filling you with vain hopes. They speak visions of their own minds, not from the mouth of the LORD. ¹⁷They say continually to those who despise the word of the LORD, 'It shall be well with you'; and to everyone who stubbornly follows his own heart, they say, 'No disaster shall come upon you.'"

¹⁸For who among them has stood in the council of the LORD to see and to hear his word, or who has paid attention to his word and listened?

¹⁹Behold, the storm of the LORD!

Wrath has gone forth,

a whirling tempest;

²⁰The anger of the LORD will not turn back until he has executed and accomplished the intents of his heart.
In the latter days you will understand it clearly.
²¹"I did not send the prophets, yet they ran;
I did not speak to them, yet they prophesied.
²²But if they had stood in my council, then they would have proclaimed my words to my people, and they would have turned them from their evil way, and from the evil of their deeds.

it will burst upon the head of the wicked.

²³"Am I a God at hand, declares the LORD, and not a God afar off? ²⁴Can a man hide himself in secret places so that I cannot see him? declares the LORD. Do I not fill heaven and earth? declares the LORD. ²⁵I have heard what the prophets have said who prophesy lies in my name, saying, 'I have dreamed, I have dreamed!' ²⁶How long shall there be lies in the heart of the prophets who prophesy lies, and who prophesy the deceit of their own heart, ²⁷who think to make my people forget my name by their dreams that they tell one another, even as their fathers forgot my name for Baal? ²⁸Let the prophet who has a dream tell the dream, but let him who has my word speak my word faithfully. What has straw in common with wheat? declares the LORD. ²⁹Is not my word like fire, declares the LORD, and like a hammer that breaks the rock in pieces?"

A This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle Hebrews 11:17-12:3

¹⁷By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was in the act of offering up his only son, ¹⁸of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your offspring be named." ¹⁹He considered that God was able even to raise him from the dead, from which, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. ²⁰By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. ²¹By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. ²²By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning his bones.

²³By faith Moses, when he was born, was hidden for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful, and they were not afraid of the king's edict. ²⁴By faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, ²⁵choosing rather to be mistreated with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. ²⁶He considered the reproach of Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he was looking to the reward. ²⁷By faith he left Egypt, not being afraid of the anger of the king, for he endured as seeing him who is invisible. ²⁸By faith he kept the Passover and sprinkled the blood, so that the Destroyer of the firstborn might not touch them.

²⁹By faith the people crossed the Red Sea as if on dry land, but the Egyptians, when they attempted to do the same, were drowned. ³⁰By faith the walls of Jericho fell down after they had been encircled for seven days. ³¹By faith Rahab the prostitute did not perish with those who were disobedient, because she had given a friendly welcome to the spies.

³²And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—³³who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, ³⁴quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, were made strong out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. ³⁵Women received back their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, so that they might rise again to a better life. ³⁶Others suffered mocking and flogging, and even chains and imprisonment. ³⁷They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword. They went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, mistreated—³⁸of whom the world was not worthy—wandering about in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. ³⁹And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised.

³⁹And all these, though commended through their faith, did not receive what was promised, ⁴⁰since God had provided something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

¹Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, ²looking to Jesus, the founder and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God.

³Consider him who endured from sinners such hostility against himself, so that you may not grow weary or fainthearted.

- A This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

Stand

Alleluia and Verse



Holy Gospel Luke 12:49-56

- **P** The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twelfth chapter.
- Glory be to Thee, O Lord.

⁴⁹[Jesus said:] "I came to cast fire on the earth, and would that it were already kindled! ⁵⁰I have a baptism to be baptized with, and how great is my distress until it is accomplished!

⁵¹Do you think that I have come to give peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. ⁵²For from now on in one house there will be five divided, three against two and two against three. ⁵³They will be divided, father against son and son against father, mother against daughter and daughter against mother, mother-in-law against her daughter-in-law and daughter-in-law against mother-in-law."

⁵⁴He also said to the crowds, "When you see a cloud rising in the west, you say at once, 'A shower is coming.' And so it happens. ⁵⁵And when you see the south wind blowing, you say, 'There will be scorching heat,' and it happens. ⁵⁶You hypocrites! You know how to interpret the appearance of earth and sky, but why do you not know how to interpret the present time?"

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

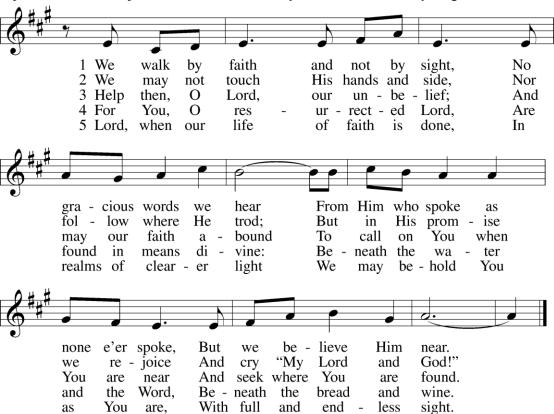
And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the prophets.

And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life

→ of the world to come. Amen.

Sit





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Sermon

VOLUNTARY - "Dominus Deus, Agnus Dei"

François Couperin (1668-1733)

Offering

(We join with Christians all over the world in worshipping God through the giving of our financial resources. If you are a first-time visitor, you are our guest and we do not expect you to give an offering. For members and friends, the ministry of this congregation is completely dependent upon your generous giving. Our offering is a significant act of worship.)

Stand



Prayer Of the Church

As God is our good and gracious Master, let us offer up prayers for ourselves, for the Church, for the world at-large and for all people in need.

Merciful Father, You show mercy to us poor sinners. Lead us to acknowledge Your mercy with gratitude, that in turn we may be quick to show mercy to others. Give us a right understanding of our own weakness and frailty. Preserve us from pride, and lead us instead to cling to Christ and His forgiveness. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, soften the hearts in every home. Turn parents and children toward each other in love and patience. Banish the spirit of impudence, stubbornness and rebellion from all. Sanctify us in Your truth. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, You save a humble people, but Your eyes are on the haughty to bring them down. Give true wisdom to the people of our nation and humility to those who act and decide for our governance, and let the lamp of Your perfect Word and way enlighten their faith and deeds. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

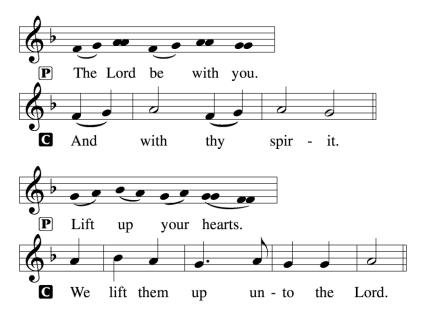
Faithful God, preserve those who are suffering temptation and any affliction [especially ______]. Make clear to them the way of escape, that they may be able to endure it and stand firm through faith in Christ Jesus. Lord, in Your mercy, hear our prayer.

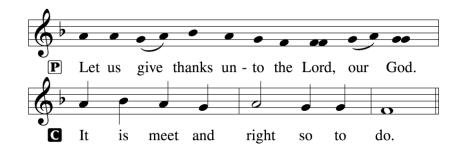
Heavenly Father, give us patience in tribulation and restore to us the joy of Your salvation. Comfort the weeping with Your lovingkindness, console the grieving with the hope of the resurrection, and help us to live in harmony with one another. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, heavenly Father, You have blessed us bountifully and given us daily bread. We implore You, preserve us from all covetousness and enliven our hearts to share Your gifts willingly with our brothers in need, that we may be found faithful stewards of Your gifts and abide in Your grace when we are removed from our stewardship and come before Your judgment; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

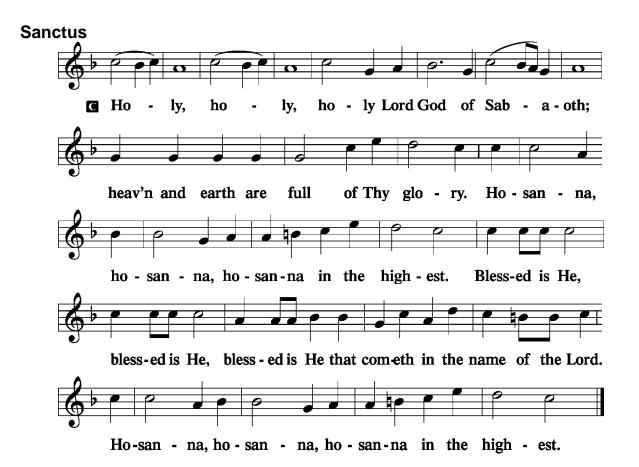
+ Service of the Sacrament +

Preface





It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who, out of love for His fallen creation, humbled Himself by taking on the form of a servant, becoming obedient unto death, even death upon a cross. Risen from the dead, He has freed us from eternal death and given us life everlasting. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:



Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven;

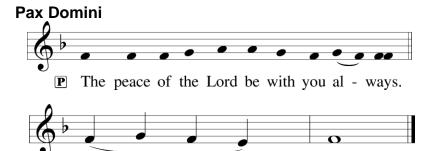
give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.



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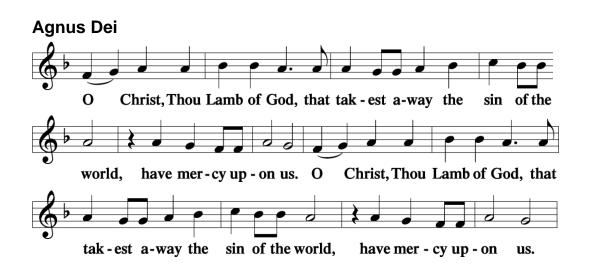
The Words of Our Lord

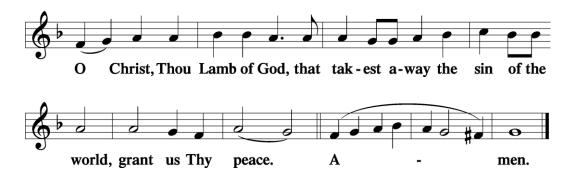
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed



Exchange of Peace

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Thanksgiving

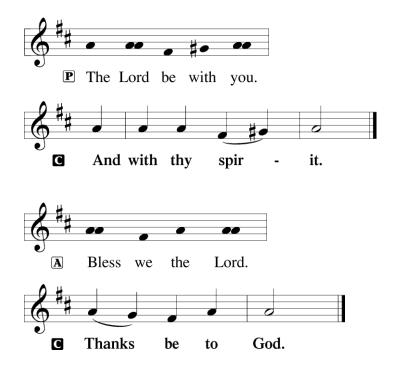
- A O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,
- and His mercy endureth forever.
- A Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Announcements

Salutation and Benedicamus



Benediction

Recessional Hymn - "Trust and Obey"

Trust and Obey



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Organ Postlude – "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow" Dr. David N. Johnson (1922-1987)

Played by Elaine Schwab

Those Serving Today:

Pastor Rev. Lucas Witt Liturgist Mark Smith Lay Reader Mary Ruble Director of Music Muriel Hopkins

Altar Guild Denise Waicker/Rita Alcarese

Birthdays this Week: Anniversaries:

16 Audrey Montgomery
 16 Guenter & Elaine Schwab
 19 Steve Heemann
 20 Albert & Danielle Lietzau V

This Week at Immanuel:

Sunday August 14 10 am Worship & Holy Communion
Noon Board of Lay Ministry Meeting

Tuesday August 16 6 pm Finance Committee

7 pm LRIA

Wednesday August 17 7 pm Church Council

Thursday August 18 7 pm ZOOM Bible Class

Ministry Notes

SAVE THE DATE – Sunday, August 21 at noon, Fellowship lunch at Friendly Farm Restaurant. Please RSVP to Carolyn Henn by August 14 latest.

Altar Guild Potluck dinner, Monday, August 29th at 6:30 p.m. at Mary Ruble's to plan next year's schedule and events. Please RSVP Mary at 410-321-0046 (8/14, 8/21, 8/28)

Pastor Minetree will be on vacation from August 1st to August 14th. Please contact Pastor Witt (443-269-1072) for pastoral emergencies.

SUNDAY SCHOOL IS BACK at 9 am. Ages 3-6th grade. Meet in Sunday School room for in-person activities, crafts based on our Bible lesson of the day.

KIDS are you fifth grade and older but not confirmed in the faith? Confirmation classes now forming, possibly even video based – but we all still have the commitment to Christ to be learning the aspects of our Christian life. Text Emalee at 410-206-3764 to enroll. Name, grade, address if you are not baptized so we can update our records. You deserve the honor of membership.

BOOK BAG SEASON IS BACK. School supplies collected through August 21st in boxes in church or by the office outside door. Usual items such as:

Books bags that will hold a large binder or school box

#2 pencils

Wide rule paper

Spiral and marble composition books

Folders, any kind

Rulers

Black or blue or red pens

Pencil sharpeners

Pencil pouches or boxes

Scissors – blunt or sharp school style

Colored pencils

3 x 5 index cards (white)

Pocket dictionaries or thesaurus books (2nd hand okay)

2" note books

Markers, crayons, jumbo and reg #24 count

Elmers glue sticks, big fat ones

Rose Art glue sticks, big fat ones

Donations are welcome if you cannot shop. Please let Emalee know. Anything helps.

SAVE THE DATE – Saturday, November 5th. Shrimp Feast/Bull Roast to benefit Immanuel Lutheran *'Til All Have Heard* Mission. 1-5 p.m., Rosedale Gardens, 8037 Philadelphia Road. Music provided by the *Reputations*. Tickets \$45/person. More details will follow.

SAVE THE DATE – CHRISTMAS AT THE MANGER WITH SANTA, Saturday, December 3, Fellowship Hall. Why now? Please save the date and peruse your Christmas stash for surplus décor. We are decking all the Church hallways for this event Santa will be present for photo ops but also the manger will be center stage in the Fellowship Hall.

Cost \$3/child; \$10/family. 10 am to 1 pm. Includes meal ticket, craft tickets, stocking ticket.

Vendors from our church's groups are welcome to present bazaar/craft items, white elephants, 2nd time around holiday décor. Also welcome are outside vendors for craft/bazaar items that are presentable for holiday gifts.

Share among friends, neighbors, and be sure to come yourself. We are opening this event to our community so that they can feel our love during the Advent season!

All kinds of help is needed: decorate outside-inside halls, (Elf hats and aprons are provided), serve lunch, sell tickets, man a bazaar/craft table, help Santa, explain the manger story, cleanup, donations of items for sale tables – baked goods, crafts, small giftables.

PRAYER REQUESTS

-Heavenly Father, we pray that You be glorified through the effort of our 'Til All Have Heard Ministry. Guide us and Pastor Witt as we seek and pursue avenues to declare that Your Kingdom is coming clearly and powerfully. Give us the opportunity to plant, water, and

harvest for Your Kingdom according to Your will, and grant patience to wait on Your timing and purposes. Lord, in Your mercy/Let us pray to the Lord

- -The end of war, and peace for Ukraine
- -Gerhard Ehlerding who was in hospital for spinal stenosis and continues treatment at home
- -Lillian Noel who has been ill
- -Grace Palmer, who is in Genesis Franklin Woods Rehab Center, recovering from surgery
- -Bill Hermann, recovering from surgery at Broadmead
- -Ray Ward who had successful knee replacement surgery and is recovering at home
- -William Staton, nephew of Lola Barnes, for recovery from heart transplant surgery
- -Carl Harvey recovering from a stroke at home
- -Dominick Santise in New York, brother- in- law of Carolyn Henn, for peace and comfort as he is being treated for interstitial lung disease in addition to lung cancer
- -Jean Heeman who is in Pickersgill
- -Patty Harper and family who are going through a time of tribulation
- -Joseph Woah-tee missing, and whereabouts unknown