

# THE IMMANUEL HERALD

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## NOVEMBER 2024

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**DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL:** In addition to the in-person services, all Services are live streamed also. The live stream is available at the following Youtube link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCqkp9bt5FmMFDmfW0QNplUw/videos>

### DIVINE SERVICE AT IMMANUEL AT 10:00 a.m.

#### **November 1**

**Revelation 7:(2–8) 9–17**

**Psalm 149**

**1 John 3:1–3**

**Matthew 5:1–12**

#### **All Saints Day**

The great multitude in white robes

“The Lord takes pleasure in His people.”

How great is the love the Father has lavished on us!

The Beatitudes

*The confession resounds in every time and place by all believing peoples, tribes, and churches: “Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!” These words emanate from faith-filled saints who belong to Jesus. In His eternal presence, the beloved saints are utterly content in endless service and worship. Saints are the ones forever blessed, comforted, satisfied, and rewarded, because their inheritance is the very kingdom of God.*

#### **November 3**

**Deuteronomy 6:1–9**

**Psalm 119:1–8**

**Hebrews 9:11–14 (15–22)**

**Mark 12:28–37**

#### **Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost**

The greatest commandment

“Blessed are they whose way is blameless.”

We are redeemed through the blood of Christ.

The Great Commandment

*Commandments proceed from the authority of God. He bids Israel to love the Lord God with heart, soul, and mind and to impress this commandment on succeeding generations. Jesus, our great High Priest, reiterates this command before scribes and reveals its greater meaning. Love the Lord with heart, soul, and mind, and love your neighbor as yourself. This comprehensive God-given love, revealed in Christ Jesus, sustains our relationship with Him and with one another.*

#### **November 10**

**1 Kings 17:8–16**

**Psalm 146**

**Hebrews 9:24–28**

**Mark 12:38–44**

#### **Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost**

Elijah and the widow of Zarephath

The Lord upholds the widow and the fatherless.

Christ will appear a second time.

The widow's mite

*God sustains life through simple, meager gifts. For Elijah, a widow, and her son, life is sustained through a scant portion of flour and water. Another widow's incidental coins, given out of poverty, are heralded as more valuable than sums of money given out of wealth. God discerns righteous things that proceed from the heart. He also judges heartless pretense and arrogance. Beneath the canopy of God's care for us in Christ, His Law condemns and His Gospel redeems.*

**November 17**

**Daniel 12:1–3**

**Psalm 16**

**Hebrews 10:11–25**

**Mark 13:1–13**

**Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost**

Everyone’s name in the book of life will be delivered.

You will not abandon me to the grave.

Their sins I will remember no more.

He who stands firm to the end will be saved.

*God’s people endure significant hardship. God intervenes, providing protection, sacrifice, and courage. He commands the archangel Michael to care for Israel. Christ, the great High Priest, offers Himself as the pure sacrifice for all sins. Therefore, our heavenly Father graciously remembers our rebellious sins and lawless deeds no more. What comfort as we are propelled toward the Day of Judgment—a day marked by persecution, war, famine, and earthquakes! And yet, in the midst of these hardships, faith endures.*

**November 24**

**Isaiah 51:4–6**

**Psalm 93**

**Jude 20–25**

**Mark 13:24–37**

**Last Sunday of the Church Year**

But my salvation will last forever.

“The Lord reigns.”

“Keep yourselves in the love of God.”

You do not know when that time will come.

*The revelation of a new heaven and earth will be dramatic in the tumultuous last days. But God’s salvation will prevail, lasting forever, through the reign of the Alpha and Omega—Jesus Christ, our Lord. He alone will judge with equity and truth, righteousness and grace. For this Last Day, we anticipate and watch, ceaseless in prayer, kept in God’s love, waiting for the final revelation of God’s mercy. “Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!” Rev. 22:20*

**November 28**

**Deuteronomy 8:1–10**

**Psalm 67**

**Philippians 4:6–20**

**or 1 Timothy 2:1–4**

**Luke 17:11–19**

**Day of Thanksgiving**

“The Lord your God is bringing you into a good land.”

Let the people praise You, O God.

“Let your requests be made known to God.”

I urge that prayers be made for everyone.

Healing of the ten lepers

*Good land produces generous produce to nourish and preserve life. This goodness proceeds from the generosity, bounty, and grace of God. Therefore, in prayer and supplication, we offer thanksgiving to Him, content in all circumstances, grateful for sustenance needed for our body, soul, and spirit. So also when God eradicates disease through His Word, we rejoice in His omnipotent grace and power.*

**Ministry Notes**

**Consecration Sunday**

During the worship service on Sunday, October 27, those present were asked to bring forward their pledge of financial support to be provided in 2025. This year’s Consecration Sunday was celebrated in the context of continuing ministry within the fivefold function of the church: Worship, Education, Fellowship, Service, and Evangelism, and also reacting to the recent financial challenges and reliance on deficit budgets that now threaten the long term viability of the congregation.

We rejoice in the fact that a total of 32 pledges for \$132,848 were received on or before Consecration Sunday. Thanks to everyone for their participation and generosity. This compares favorably to last year when a

total of 36 pledges for \$126,376 was the total number and amount received. It is anticipated that additional pledges will be added by the end of the year that will further increase the dollars pledged.

If you have not yet submitted a pledge card, and intend to do so, please send your completed pledge card to the church office or place it in the offering plate.

**Special Voter’s Assembly Scheduled**

A special Voter’s Assembly has been scheduled for **Sunday, November 24 immediately following the 10 AM worship service.** This meeting has been scheduled to present two resolutions to the congregation.

## Resolution to Engage the Lutheran Church Extension Fund to Explore “Best Uses” of Real Estate

The first resolution to be considered comes from the **Building on Christ Equipping for the Future** team that is looking to identify and implement a strategy that would determine “best uses” of the vacant land bordering Loch Raven Blvd and / or portions of our building. The resolution will request approval to accept a proposal from the Lutheran Church Extension Fund (LCEF) that identifies LCEF as Immanuel’s ministry partner who will explore the possibilities of utilizing real estate assets to further ministry, meet community needs, and create an alternate source of revenue. Keeping in mind the ministry heart of our congregation, LCEF will act as a consultant to initially explore campus concepts as it relates to real estate while always representing our best interests.

Through the acceptance of the proposal, Immanuel is inviting LCEF Real Estate Solutions to explore a partnership that is likely to include a for-profit real estate developer that is a good fit with Immanuel’s vision and involve industry experts as sub consultants who will be contracted and paid by LCEF. The initial phase of the work will provide site and community needs and identify potential deal structures that would allow ministry to continue on the existing site while creating an alternate source of revenue for Immanuel.

The Church Council has reviewed the proposal and unanimously recommends approval.

### **Lay Readers:**

November 3, Rick Kruelle  
November 10, Carolyn Henn  
November 17, Mark Smith  
November 24, Gary Stratemeyer

### **Communion Assistant/Liturgist Schedule:**

*First Sunday of the month communion assistant – Denise Waicker*  
*Third Sunday of the month communion assistant – Sylvanus Ibenana*  
*Second and Fourth Sundays liturgist – Rick McDonnell*

### **Altar Guild**

November 3 and 10, Mary Ruble/Sharon Minetree  
November 17 and 24, Elaine Schwab and daughter Suzi

### **CHURCH FLOWERS**

If you would like a special arrangement, the procedure is to call Denise Waicker at (443) 981-0019 or

[Denisewaicker@mac.com](mailto:Denisewaicker@mac.com). Denise needs to know the date you select and the statement you want to include so that she can order the flowers for that Sunday. The cost depends on your selection. Pay by cash or check (make payable to *Denise Waicker*) and give to Denise Waicker in person or mail checks via the postal service.

### **PRAYER REQUESTS:**

For complete recovery of Barbara Griffa, June Dennis’ sister who is in rehab  
- Sylvia Holland, a family relative of June Dennis, for her complete recovery from a stroke  
- For peace in Ukraine, Israel, Gaza, and Russia  
- Bonnie and Joe Castrilli as she cares for her husband who has dementia  
- Ginger Glindemann for family members who are being treated for cancer  
- Ray Will, who has been diagnosed with neck cancer and had a fall  
- Winnie Kruelle who has been diagnosed with cancer  
- Naomi Kruelle for health reasons  
- Rosemarie Wilson, the daughter of Filleseta James, for return of strength in her left leg  
- Joseph Woah-tee missing, and whereabouts unknown

### **Birthdays:**

2 Keisha English  
Dorothy Wolff  
7 Joshua Minetree  
11 Christy St. Clair  
12 Nyewoe Barwulor  
13 Guenter Schwab  
14 Maya Summers  
23 Eyibio Adah  
Ginger Glindemann  
Scott Heemann  
28 Nsebong Adah

## November 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2  1 pm Bull Roast
3 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 11 am Adult Bible Study 12 pm Eritrean	4  7 pm Adult confirmation	5	6	7  Noon Zoom Bible class (last)	8	9  10 am Real Wings Fundraiser
10 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 11 am Adult Bible Study 12 pm Eritrean	11	12	13  Noon Bible study cancelled  6:30 pm LRIA BoD	14	15	16  10 am G Boys 2 pm LRIA Bingo
17 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 11 am Adult Bible Study 12 pm Eritrean	18  7 pm Adult confirmation	19  7 pm LRIA Gen'l	20  6 pm Council meeting	21	22	23  11 am Pastor Witt installation and reception
24 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship & Holy Communion 11 am SPECIAL VOTERS' MEETING 12 pm Eritrean	25  7 pm Adult confirmation	26	27  Noon Bible Study and lunch	28 <b>THANKSGIVING</b> <b>OFFICE CLOSED</b>	29	30

# The Baltimore Bulletin Insert

November 2024

*Events of area LCMS churches, entities, and Recognized Service Organizations*

*Deadline for December edition: November 20<sup>th</sup>*

## ***Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart***

### **THANKSGIVING EVE**

7:00 (communion)

*St. Paul, Annapolis*

7:00

*Martini, Baltimore*

7:30

*Our Saviour, Ednor Gardens*

### **THANKSGIVING DAY WORSHIP**

1100am

*Redeemer, Irvington, St. Thomas, Baltimore*

### **WINTER COAT COLLECTION**

*Orphan Grain Train, Millersville*

Nov. 1 – Dec..14. New or gently used warm coats needed for men, women and children.

Bring to OGT Warehouse, 621 East West Blvd, Tues. 9– 12 noon, 5 – 7 pm or Sat.,

11/9,11/22 or 12/14 9a-12noon. Info: [Irmiguere@gmail.com](mailto:Irmiguere@gmail.com).

**SHRIMP FEAST/BULL & OYSTER ROAST** *Immanuel Lutheran, Baltimore* Sat., Nov 2. 1-5p at Rosedale Gardens, 8037 Philadelphia Rd. Benefit: Lutheran Mission Society. Music by the Reputations. Tickets \$50: Denise Waicker 443-981-0019 or Gary Stratemeyer 443-827-6958.

**ANNUAL DINNER AND RETIREMENT CELEBRATION** *Lutheran Mission Society* For Rev. Dr. Maack and Susan Maack, Nov. 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2-5p, Kurtz's Beach. Tickets must be purchased by Oct. 27. Ticket information call 410.636.0123 or [www.CompassionPlace.org](http://www.CompassionPlace.org)

### **EVANGELISM BREAKFAST**

*Martini Lutheran Church, Baltimore*

Circuit 3 churches; Sat., Nov. 16, 9a, Home made Breakfast served. An hour to exchange ideas and resources, hone skills, tell things we've discovered. Two experienced missionaries to be among us as well. Leave more equipped – and well fed! Info, and Please RSVP:

[KarenbRKeck@gmail.com](mailto:KarenbRKeck@gmail.com) or call or text 443.865.4251. Ample fee parking.

**INSTALLATION OF EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** *Lutheran Mission Society* Sat., Nov. 23, 11a. Rev, Lucas Witt will be installed. Immanuel Lutheran Church (5701 Loch Raven Blvd.). Meal served afterwards.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER** *St. Thomas Lutheran, Carrollton Ridge* Free to all. Thanksgiving Day, Nov. 23, 12:30-3:00. Volunteer to cook turkeys, donate food, do prep work, serve on Thanksgiving Day. Monetary donations offer flexibility to purchase items not given. Contact Cricket at [St.ThomasLutheran@yahoo.com](mailto:St.ThomasLutheran@yahoo.com) or 443.629.7117.

This insert only happens because your church submits items.

*A service of The Wyneken Project, appreciating the fellowship we share.*

*Submit your event to [Secretary@MartiniLutheran.org](mailto:Secretary@MartiniLutheran.org)*

*For locations of churches see [LCMS.org](http://LCMS.org) > Locators & Directories*