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For today in the
city of David
a savior has been
born for you
who is Messiah
and Lord.

LUKE 2:11



Immanuel Lutheran Church

December 24, 2017 3PM

WELCOME TO IMMANUEL

We are blessed that “God is with us” as the name Immanuel implies, and truly blessed because you are with us TODAY.

*As you spend time with us, I pray you will form wonderful relationships with the community of Immanuel and join the exciting journey of carrying out the mission of the church - **“touch hearts with the love of God so that He might transform Crystal Lake and the surrounding community into a place where Jesus Christ comes first.”***

How do we carry out the mission? We INVITE those who aren't yet here so they might become CONNECTED to Jesus Christ in Word and Sacrament and to His Church through worship and fellowship. We DISCOVER more of who Christ is through the study of His Word and more of who we are as we experience and exercise the gifts and talents He has given to us. And we GO into the world and our own community to serve and love all people.

I look forward to traveling on the journey with you and invite you to take the next step in your walk with God. Please fill out a Connection Card and return it in the offering basket (listing the head of your household first is appreciated). If you are a first time guest, please pick up a gift at the Connection Table.

Thank you for joining us in worship today!

In Christ ~ Pastor Tieman

Prayer Requests: If you wish to have a prayer included in the service, please write it on a Connection Card and hand to an usher at the beginning of the service. For inclusion in the weekly bulletin, please call the church office by noon on Wednesday. Prayer Chain Requests can be directed to Geannene Piper 815.459.5308 or Sue Holtz 815.459.7976.

Holy Communion:

We believe when we share in the sacrament of Holy Communion that our Lord Jesus Christ is present and that we truly receive His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of our sins and strengthening of our faith to live the Christian life. If you believe likewise, we invite you to participate individually or with your family by bringing your children forward to receive a blessing as you commune.

~Please follow direction offered by the ushers.

~The 2 inner rings of the communion tray hold cups of non-alcoholic wine.

~Gluten-free wafers are located behind the individual cups

~ THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD - CHRISTMAS EVE ~

AS WE GATHER

“Glory to God in the highest!” The expression of praise by the heavenly host on the night when Jesus was born into our world has echoed through the ages. As we gather for this most special night, we find joy in repeating the words of God’s heavenly messengers. The angels proclaimed a message of peace and good will, a word from God that was appearing in the Word made flesh—the baby Jesus born to bring the light of redemption to a people on earth lost in darkness. “Gloria in excelsis Deo!” Whether we are singing in English or Latin or some other language, the message of the words is what matters. We worship our Lord and rejoice in the glory of Christmas!

Prelude

It Came Upon a Midnight Clear
It's Christmas

O Holy Night

Prayer

Welcome

Lord’s Prayer

Prophecy Fulfilled Video

Offering

Confession & Absolution

Christmas Eve - Sarajevo

Song of Praise & Commitment

Mary Did You Know
Do You Hear What I Hear

Blessing

Scripture Reading

Luke 2:1-20

Closing Carols

Silent Night
God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen
Angels We Have Heard on High
Joy to the World

Message

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Worship Leaders:

Pastor Larry Tieman, Pastor Bob Pudell

3:00

Worship Assistant: Craig Ibbotson

Greeters: Lora Anderson, Charles Gumprecht

Ushers: Tom O'Malley, Tara O'Malley, Tom Kozinski, Tim Antor,
Dave Lapp, Marlene Laramie

Childcare: Emma Dorn Helper-Grace Poduch



CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS!

December 24th - 8:00 & 10:00pm – Candlelight Service Historic Church
December 25th Christmas Day – 10:00 am - Commons

Altar Flowers: Altar Guild

Altar Guild: Kathy Schulz, Diane Gorman, Marlene Swift,
Shirley Schwemm, Cindy Funderburg, Basia Kardaras, Sherry Staudt,
Gerda Lawin, Nancy Fenneman, Bev Larson, Cathy Seegers

Worship Accommodations

Large Print bulletins & hearing amplification are available from an usher.

Sunday:

Childcare Nursery in entry hall -- kids 5 and under.

Changing table in washrooms -- hall to the left of worship area.

Additional bathrooms -- hall to the right of worship area.

Nursing Mom's Room -- behind the desk in the Library.

Wiggle Room (Conf Rm – entry hall) for active kids with parent.

Saturday: Nursery in lower level with changing table.

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