

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

January 7, 2024

10:30 a.m.



We welcome you to Immanuel. As we worship together let us rejoice in the love that God has shown us in Jesus Christ and share that love with each other.

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Hours: Monday - Thursday: 8:30 am-12:00 pm, 1:00-3:00 pm

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Today's Service Participants:

Pastor: Manuel Borbon

Keyboardist: Deborah Butler

Musicians/Song Leaders: Men's Group

Epiphany of Our Lord

Today's hymns are projected on the wall.

Please stand as you are able where the asterisk (*) appears.

Prelude

"Arise to Shine"

Nancy & Mark Dickman

PM Welcome & Announcements

***PM Mission Statement:** Our mission is to welcome, accept and encourage all people as we follow Jesus.

Gathering

***Call to Worship** (from Isaiah 60)

PM Stand up and SHINE! For your light has come.

C The glory of the Lord sets us ablaze with Light!

PM Lift up your eyes and look around.

C Now is the time to see and be radiant!

PM It's time to rejoice, for God is at work.

C Now is our time to look up! Light up!

PM Come, let us worship the Lord our God!

***Opening Song**

"Arise, Your Light Has Come"

ELW #314

***Greeting**

PM Siblings in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.

C And also with you.

***PM Prayer of the Day** (prayed by all)

O God, on this day you revealed your Son to the nations by the leading of a star. Lead us now by faith to know your presence in our lives, and bring us at last to the full vision of your glory, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Word

A First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

Arise, shine; for your light has come, and the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. For darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples; but the Lord will arise upon you, and his glory will appear over you. Nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your dawn. Lift up your eyes and look around; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from far away, and your daughters shall be carried on their nurses' arms. Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and rejoice, because the abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you. A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come. They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall proclaim the praise of the Lord. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

A Second Reading: Ephesians 3:1-12

This is the reason that I Paul am a prisoner for Christ Jesus for the sake of you Gentiles—for surely you have already heard of the commission of God's grace that was given me for you, and how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I wrote above in a few words, a reading of which will enable you to perceive my understanding of the mystery of Christ. In former generations this mystery was not made known to humankind, as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit: that is, the Gentiles have become fellow heirs, members of the same body, and sharers in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel. Of this gospel I have become a servant according to the gift of God's grace that was given me by the working of his power. Although I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given to me to bring to the Gentiles the news of the boundless riches of Christ, and to make everyone see what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things; so that through the church the wisdom of God in its rich variety might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. This was in accordance with the eternal purpose that he has carried out in Christ Jesus our Lord, in whom we have access to God in boldness and confidence through faith in him. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation "Brightest & Best of the Stars" vs. 1 ELW #303

*PM The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

*PM Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, "Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage." When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet: 'And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who is to shepherd my people Israel.' " Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage." When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road. (NRSV)

*PM The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ.

Kid's Time

Pastor Manuel Borbon

Message

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Song of the Day "As With Gladness Men of Old" vs. 1-4 ELW #302

The Apostles' Creed (read by all)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

***The Prayers**

A Trusting in God's good news of great joy for all people, we offer our prayers for ourselves, our neighbors, and the world God loves. *A brief silence.* Humble the hearts of your faithful people, that we seek to be servants of your gospel and witnesses to your mysteries. Give us boldness in faith, that we make the good news of Christ's birth known to all people. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Establish justice on earth for all its inhabitants. Lead us to protect fragile ecosystems and endangered species. Empower the work of all who research, engineer, and make accessible alternative and renewable sources of energy. Make us careful stewards of your creation. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Nations shall come to your light and kings to your dawning. Remove corruption and fear from the hearts of leaders and authorities. Lead governments to expand policies and resources that care for refugees and all migrants. Strengthen the work of resettlement agencies. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Defend the cause of all who are in need, all facing poverty, and all who are oppressed. Come quickly to those who feel that their lives and livelihoods are fragile. Give them strength and lead them forth with hope. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A As the magi offered gifts to the Christ child, empower us to give generously. Prosper the work of ministry partnerships in our community. Together, help us share what we have to ensure that our neighbors have enough food, resources, and opportunities. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A You have redeemed the lives of your faithful departed. Through the love of Christ, gather us into one body with them, and reveal to us the mystery hidden for ages in the One who created all things. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Abide with us, O God of mercy, and receive our prayers according to your abundant grace.

C Amen.

MEAL

Offering

Offertory

"We Three Kings"

CH #288

PM ***Offertory Prayer** (read by all)

God of abundance, receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. Amen.

PM ***Words of Institution**

PM ***The Lord's Prayer** (prayed by all)

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. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Welcome to Immanuel! We are so glad you worshiped with us today!

ELW #301
CH #288

PM Post-Communion Prayer (prayed by all)
God our redeemer, you have fed us at this table with gifts of grace, truth, and life. As you have gathered us in joy, send us forth as messengers of your peace. Make us shine with the good news of your glory, born to us in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

***Sending Song** *"Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" vs. 1 & 4* ELW #310

PM God bless you and keep you, Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever.

PM Christ the Savior is born! Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

Deborah Butler



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In 2024 you will be provided with many opportunities to join the 'What Next' conversation. January 14 during the adult faith forum 9:30-10:15 is your first invitation.

Want to teach only Pre K-3rd grade OR 4th-6th grade? Not a problem - no prep needed, all lessons are prepared for you.

Want to help but not teach? Not a problem - we need people to help with activities and just be there for the kids!

Want more information? Ready to help? Sign up in the lobby, talk to Creighton on a Sunday, or email ilcsilvertonss@gmail.com.

Frozen (but freshly made) tamales for sale! Pick up Sunday from the kitchen.

Options: vegetarian (cheese & pepper), chicken & mole sauce, chicken & green salsa or chicken & red salsa.

\$15 per half dozen (6)

Begin at 9 am and plan on an hour or two. All welcome! Many hands make light work for all. Thank you!

New 8 week program will begin January 28, 2024. Call Patty at 503-428-4921.
Registration required.

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