IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
October 25, 2026
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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Flowers provided by the Sheldon Family

Reformation Sunday

Today's hymns are projected on the wall.
Please stand as you are able where the asterisk (*) appears.

Prelude

PL **Welcome**

PL **Mission Statement: In this place we welcome, accept and encourage all people as we follow Jesus.**

Kid's Time Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

GATHERING

***Call to Worship**

PL Be still!
C We come to quiet ourselves in this haven of holiness.
PL Be still and know . . .
C We come to discern the Word that can set us free.
PL Be still and know that God is . . .
C our Hope, our Help, our Refuge, and our Redeemer.

***Opening Song** *"Built on a Rock" vs. 1,3,5* ELW #652

***Greeting**

PL Siblings in Christ, beloved children of God: grace, mercy, and peace be with you all.
C And also with you.

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

Gracious Father, we pray for your holy catholic church. Fill it with all truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct it; where in anything it is amiss, reform it; where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, reunite it; for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

A **First Reading: Jeremiah 31:31-34**

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt—a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the Lord. But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. No longer shall they teach one another or say to each other, "Know the Lord," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the Lord, for I will forgive their iniquity and remember their sin no more. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

A **Second Reading: Romans 3:19-28**

Now we know that, whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world may be held accountable to God. For no human will be justified before him by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin. But now, apart from the law, the righteousness of God has been disclosed and is attested by the Law and the Prophets, the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction, since all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God; they are now justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a sacrifice of atonement by his blood, effective through faith. He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over the sins previously committed; it was to demonstrate at the present time his own righteousness, so that he is righteous and he justifies the one who has the faith of Jesus. Then what becomes of boasting? It is excluded. Through what kind of law? That of works? No, rather through the law of faith. For we hold that a person is justified by faith apart from works prescribed by the law. (NRSV)

A The Word of the Lord

C Thanks be to God

***Gospel Acclamation** *"Let Your Steadfast Love"* ELW pg. 189

*PL The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the eighth chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord.

*PL **Gospel: John 8:31-36**

Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free." They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham and have never been slaves to anyone. What do you mean by saying, 'You will be made free'?" Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, everyone who commits sin is a slave to sin. The slave does not have a permanent place in the household; the son has a place there forever. So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed." (NRSV)

*PL The Gospel of the Lord

C Praise to you, O Christ

Message Pastor Leah Stolte-Doerfler

Song of the Day *"We Walk by Faith" 1,3,5* ELW #635

***Affirmation of Faith** (read by all)

I believe in God, my caring creator. Who is revealed to me in creation and holy scripture. I believe in Jesus, my loving redeemer. Who clothes me in His righteousness, and raises me up anew in daily and rich forgiveness of my sins. Who quickens in me the lively anticipation of my resurrection from the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, giver and sustainer of life. Who binds me with all the saints and all believers in unity of love. Who makes us to be indeed the body of Christ and a vehicle of love and joy in this world, until we offer our full and perfect praise forever!

***The Prayers**

A Seeking the Spirit of God who makes all things new, we pray for the church and the world. *A brief silence.* As we celebrate Reformation Sunday, we remember the witness of Martin Luther and the reformers of the church in every generation. Empower us to continue the work of reform and renewal in our own day. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for the healing of natural places despoiled by pollution and human greed. Give all living creatures access to safe land, water, and air. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We pray for our criminal justice systems and all those whose lives are affected by them. Give wisdom and discernment to police, probation officers, judges, and attorneys; give courage and peace to prisoners and the formerly incarcerated. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We ask your blessing upon all people who have been harmed by the church and its leaders, that the truth may make them free. We pray for the relief of all those who are sick or suffering. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A We give thanks for those exploring or returning to a life of faith. Encourage and guide them, that they may find their hope in you. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A With gratitude, we remember those disciples who paved the way for us and all of our beloved dead. Hear us, O God.

C Your mercy is great.

A Trusting in your boundless grace, O God, we lift up these spoken prayers and those in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C Amen.

***Sharing of the Peace**

PL The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

(The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say "Peace be with you" or similar words")

MEAL

Offering

Offertory

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

God of creation, you send rain and the earth springs forth abundantly. All blessings are from you; make us generous with what we have. Use our gifts, our abilities, and our hearts in service to you and in love to our neighbors, today and always. Amen.

***The Great Thanksgiving**

PL The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

PL Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them to the Lord.

PL Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C It is right to give him thanks and praise.

*PL **Words of Institution**

*PL Remembering His love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. Amen.

***The Lord's Prayer {a modern adaptation}** (prayed by all)

Eternal Spirit, Source of all that is and ever shall be, Loving Parent in whom we discern heaven, May knowledge of your holiness inspire all peoples, And may your commonwealth of peace and freedom flourish on earth Until all of humankind heed your call to justice and compassion. May we find the bread that we need for today, And for the hurts we cause one another May we be forgiven in the same measure that we forgive. In times of trial and temptation, help us to be strong; When life seems overwhelming, help us to endure; And thus from the yoke of sin deliver us. May you reign in the power of human love, Now and forever. Amen.

The Communion of Christ's People

Communion Songs *"As the Grains of Wheat"* ELW #465
"Lord, Keep Us Steadfast in Your Word" ELW #517
"We Come to the Hungry Feast" ELW #479

After all have communed:

PL The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen.

PL **Post-Communion Prayer** (prayed by all)

Sustaining God, with this bread and cup, you nourish us with mercy and abundant life. By your Spirit, send us from this table to serve a needy world. Make us living signs of your liberation, healing, and love, following the way of Jesus, in whose name we pray. Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

***Sending Song** *"A Mighty Fortress Is Our God" vs. 1,2* ELW #504

***Sending**

PL Knowing that God sends us forth,
C we will not be still, but speak of hope.
PL Knowing that Jesus is with us,
C we will not be still, but will challenge injustice.
PL Knowing that the Spirit strengthens us,
C we will not be still, but seek peace for all.

***Dismissal**

PL Go out in joy. Be led forth in peace.
C Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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

If you are new to Immanuel, please sign in on the sheet outside the first sanctuary door.

Remembrance Table - Now through November 1
Bring in your photos/remembrances of saints (loved ones who have passed away) at any time to place on the structure for All Saints Day.

Coat Drive - Donations Due by October 25
The Elizabeth Ashley Hoke Memorial Trust is collecting new and gently used Coats for Kids and Families during the month of October. Distribution will occur October 29 from 9am -12pm at Adventist Community Services and from 9am-12pm and 2:30-4:30pm at Silver Creek Fellowship.

Emergency Preparedness Class - October 25
After service a preparedness class will be held in the fireside room, covering topics such as fire, flood, earthquake, gas leak and active shooter. All are welcome to attend.

New Members & Transfers - November 8
Are you interested, ready to celebrate being on this faith journey together? We will receive new members on November 8 during the 10:30 service. Please reach out to Pastor Leah {503.302.7712}.

Thanksgiving Potluck (with door prizes!) - November 15
On November 15 following church service, please bring your favorite dish to share & make some memories!

Bible Study on the Gospel of John - Wednesdays, 10:30 am

The Wilkerson family would like to extend their sincere thanks to everyone who has reached out, donated to the meal train, and lifted them in prayer. There are still some rough hurdles coming up but they feel the love and support and know that God is in control of everything.
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