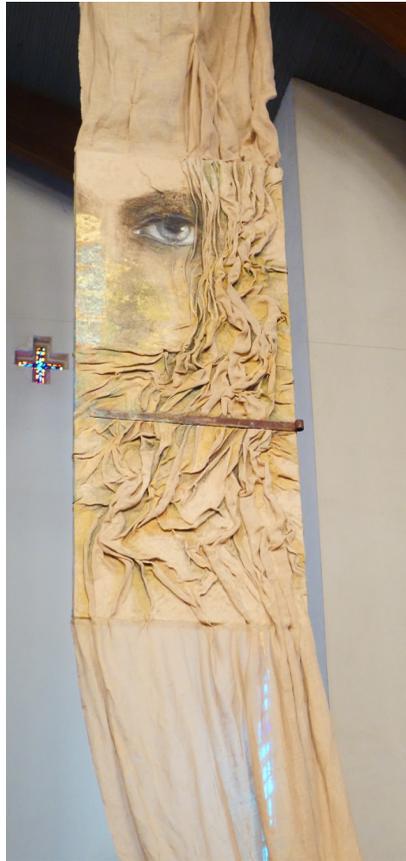


Immanuel Lutheran Church and School



October 19, 2025
Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost
9:30am

ATTENDANCE CARDS We invite all our worshipers, both members and guests, to fill out an attendance card from the pew rack in front of you and place it in the offering plate. Also, use the “Tell Us” cards to communicate to your congregational leaders whatever you want them to know. **You can also register on our app! Fill out the “Connect Card” located on the home page.**

WORSHIP AIDS If you have difficulty reading the print in the bulletin, there are large print bulletins available on the table by the side door of the church. Do you have difficulty hearing the spoken word? Aids for hearing are also available on the same table. Ask an usher to help you if you need assistance.

CELL PHONES Check in on social media using #immanuelriverside before silencing your cell phones.

FOR OUR LITTLE ONES For parents who have children under four years of age, we have a staffed nursery to assist you. If you have an infant, please feel free to use our Cry Room where you can still see and listen to the worship service.

NURSERY CARE The nursery is open for childcare during worship. Your children (6 weeks old - 5 years old) will be cared for by our trained staff for any or all of the service. You will need to read the Nursery Parent Information sheet and fill out a questionnaire before dropping off your children. Please see the Nursery Coordinator if you have any questions.

GATHER TO WORSHIP

PRESERVICE MUSIC

O Christ, Our True and Only Light

J. S. Bach

PASTORAL WELCOME

Pastor Robert Jones

(please stand)

OPENING HYMN

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

LSB 821



1 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the
2 Al - le - lu - ia! Not as or - phans Are we
3 Al - le - lu - ia! Bread of heav - en, Here on
4 Al - le - lu - ia! King e - ter - nal, Lord om -
5 Al - le - lu - ia! Sing to Je - sus; His the



scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the
left in sor - row now; Al - le - lu - ia! He is
earth our food, our stay; Al - le - lu - ia! Here the
nip - o - tent we own; Al - le - lu - ia! Born of the
scep - ter, His the throne; Al - le - lu - ia! His the



tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.
near us; Faith be - lieves, nor ques - tions how.
sin - ful Flee to You from day to day.
Mar - y, Earth Your foot - stool, heav'n Your throne.
tri - umph, His the vic - to - ry a - lone.



Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der
Though the cloud from sight re - ceived Him When the
In - ter - ces - sor, Friend of sin - ners, Earth's Re -
As with - in the veil You en - tered, Robed in
Hark! The songs of peace - ful Zi - on Thun - der



like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of
for - ty days were o'er, Shall our hearts for -
deem - er, hear our plea Where the songs of
flesh, our great High Priest, Here on earth both
like a might - y flood: "Je - sus out of



ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."
get His prom - ise: "I am with you ev - er - more?"
all the sin - less Sweep a - cross the crys - tal sea.
priest and vic - tim In the eu - cha - ris - tic feast.
ev - 'ry na - tion Has re - deemed us by His blood."

INVOCATION

P: In the name of the Father and of the (†) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Exodus 34:29-35

(After reading)

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

L: Brothers and Sisters in Christ, just as Moses could not gaze upon the face of God because God is holy and humanity is fallen, we also confess that we have fallen short of the glory of God. We are not worthy to gaze upon God, for we are born sinful and have since sinned in thought, word, and deed. We would surely die if it weren't for the all-availing sacrifice of Christ upon the cross. Therefore, since He is holy, and acts as our high priest, let us confess our sins before God our Father, seeking His mercy for the sake of Christ. *(please kneel)*

L: Almighty Lord, Heavenly Father,

C: **We confess that we have fallen short of Your glory and do not deserve to be in Your holy and pure presence. For the sake of Christ, have mercy upon us. Take our shortcomings and failures, our selfish thoughts and wayward ambitions, and cleanse us from all evil. Create in us a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within us.** *(silence for personal confession)*

L: The Good News for us today is that Almighty God in His mercy sent His only begotten Son to die for us, rise for us, and is seated at His right hand. Because of the perfect sacrifice upon the cross, our relationship is restored with God and with one another. Therefore, as a called and ordained servant of God and by His authority, I therefore forgive you of all your sins, in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.** *(please stand)*

SONG OF PRAISE

Cornerstone

1) My hope is built on nothing less
Than Jesus' blood and righteousness
And I dare not trust the sweetest frame
But wholly trust in Jesus name

Chorus

Christ alone, cornerstone
Weak made strong in the Savior's love
Through the storm
He is Lord, Lord of all

2) When darkness seems to hide His face
I rest on His unchanging grace
In every high and stormy gale
My anchor holds within the veil

Chorus

3) When He shall come with trumpet sound
Oh may I then in Him be found
Dressed in His righteousness alone
Faultless stand before the throne

Chorus x2

(please be seated)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

INTRODUCTION TO THE READINGS

Our Scripture Readings for today focus on the divine revelation of who God is. St. Paul tells us that we have a bold hope in Christ as the veil is removed from us by the power of the Holy Spirit. Our Gospel reading helps us see that, unless God creates faith, we cannot confess who is Lord and Savior over all.

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 3:4-18

(After reading)

L: This is the word of the Lord.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

(please stand)

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 16:13-20

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the sixteenth chapter.

C: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

(After reading)

L: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**



1 Lord, en - throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor, First - be - got - ten
 2 Though the low - liest form now veil You As of old in
 3 Pas - chal Lamb, Your of - f'ring, fin - ished Once for all when
 4 Life - im - part - ing heav'n - ly man - na, Strick - en rock with



from the dead, You a - lone, our strong de - fend - er,
 Beth - le - hem, Here as there Your an - gels hail You,
 You were slain, In its full - ness un - di - min - ished
 stream - ing side, Heav'n and earth with loud ho - san - na



Lift - ing up Your peo - ple's head. Al - le - lu - ia,
 Branch and flow'r of Jes - se's stem. Al - le - lu - ia,
 Shall for - ev - er - more re - main, Al - le - lu - ia,
 Wor - ship You, the Lamb who died, Al - le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Je - sus, true and
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! We in wor - ship
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Cleans - ing souls from
 al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia! Ris'n, as - cend - ed,



liv - ing bread! Je - sus, true and liv - ing bread!
 join with them; We in wor - ship join with them.
 ev - 'ry stain; Cleans - ing souls from ev - 'ry stain.
 glo - ri - fied! Ris'n, as - cend - ed, glo - ri - fied!

(please be seated)

MESSAGE

Behind the Curtain

Pastor Robert Jones

1. Without _____ we do not know God. Throughout history, God is the one who _____ Himself.
 - a. God reveals His name to _____.
 - b. God shows His might to the _____.
 - c. God reveals He is h_____ and that to look upon His face means death.
 - d. In the tabernacle, a giant _____ separated where His presence dwelled and His people.

2. Icons in Transformation features several themes, but the _____ also plays a role in how we observe and understand some of the pieces.

3. Perhaps the _____ is a reminder of our s_____.

4. The veil pulled back: _____ is the Godhead _____ in human flesh.

5. As Jesus dies on the cross, the _____ is _____ in two.

6. One of Ludmila's pieces of art by our baptismal font, reminds us that faith in _____ removes the veil and we see the rich g_____ God gives us.

"We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life."

Romans 6:4

(please stand)

SONG OF RESPONSE In Christ Alone (with the Solid Rock)

In Christ alone my hope is found,
He is my light, my strength, my song;
This Cornerstone, this solid Ground,
Firm through the fiercest drought and storm.
What heights of love, what depths of peace,
When fears are stilled, when strivings cease!
My Comforter, my All in All,
Here in the love of Christ I stand.

In Christ alone! who took on flesh
Fulness of God in helpless babe!
This gift of love and righteousness
Scorned by the ones he came to save:
Till on that cross as Jesus died,
The wrath of God was satisfied -
For every sin on Him was laid;
Here in the death of Christ I live.

There in the ground His body lay
Light of the world by darkness slain:
Then bursting forth in glorious Day
Up from the grave he rose again!
And as He stands in victory
Sin's curse has lost its grip on me,
For I am His and He is mine -
Bought with the precious blood of Christ.

On Christ the solid rock I stand
All other ground is sinking sand
All other ground is sinking sand

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No guilt in life, no fear in death,
This is the power of Christ in me;
From life's first cry to final breath.
Jesus commands my destiny.
No power of hell, no scheme of man,
Can ever pluck me from His hand;
'Till He returns or calls me home,
Here in the power of Christ I'll stand.

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

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

PRAYER READING

1 Timothy 2:1-6a

First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, ²for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way. ³This is good, and it is pleasing in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴who desires all people to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. ⁵For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus, ⁶who gave himself as a ransom for all, which is the testimony given at the proper time.

PRAYERS OF PRAISE AND PETITION

(After the petition)

P: Lord in your mercy

C: **Hear our prayer**

(please be seated)

GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

IMMANUEL IN MINISTRY

DEDICATION OF GIFTS

SPECIAL MUSIC

Jesus Loves Me

3rd Grade Students

LORD'S PRAYER

LSB 162

P: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

C: **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**

BENEDICTION (Blessing)

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

POSTLUDE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

arr. Gordon Young

PRAYERS REQUESTED BY OUR WORSHIPERS

To submit a prayer request for the coming Sunday, please email or call the church office by Wednesday. We want to pray for specific needs; however, ask permission before disclosing another person's specific need, to ensure that we respect their privacy.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ✚ The Edwards family asks for health and healing for their family.
- ✚ The Havrisik family asks for continued prayer for Rocky, a friend, who is recovering from a fall.

Ongoing Prayers for Healing: Wayne Smith / Dee & Joseph Ferreri / Ken & Ruth Unrath / Ede and Phillip Lundquist / Ron Kusel / Rasmi Graumann/ Ken Hendershot / Andrew Ashline

In Oncology Therapy: Kimo Sherlin

We encourage you to use this prayer list in your personal devotions at home. To submit a request to our prayer chain or to join our prayer chain, call Carolyn Elfman (354-9896), Dory Robb (687-5725) or the church office (682-7613).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS The flowers on the altar are given by Win Teasley in memory of Nora's birthday

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK Diana Feinauer—Oct. 19, Emma Sartorius—Oct. 20, Randall Wilcox—Oct.20, Claire Bryant—Oct. 22, Nicholas Parillo—Oct. 22, Larry Anderson—Oct. 22, Christina Howard—Oct. 23, Marlin Brandt—Oct. 24, Mike Wagoner—Oct. 25.

AfterWord for Kids - 11:00-12:00
In the 6th Grade Classroom

<p>Wiggle Worship Ages 5 and under with parents Interactive Bible time, singing, dancing, and craft for our littlest worshippers and their parents</p>	<p>Sunday School Elementary Grades Lesson, crafts, and games based on our Bible reading for today</p>
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TRUNK OR TREAT—OCTOBER 31ST 5-7PM TRUNKS AND CANDY NEEDED!

Trunk or Treat is approaching and we need volunteers to show up with decked out trunks! Click link to sign up <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0548AFA829A1FDCF8-59096163-trunk#/> or contact Gina at Gina.Bertaina@ILCS-Riverside.org for more information. Candy donations are greatly appreciated.

OCTOBER IS CHURCH WORKER APPRECIATION MONTH Please take time during the month of October to share kind thoughts of appreciation and encouragement to our pastors, D.C.E. Intern, and church leaders. Show them that you care! Words of gratitude go a long way toward feeling appreciated and cherished. We have so many ways to communicate our thanks. Consider sharing a simple message, text, post, email, phone call or card of gratitude. Another way we are blessed to show our appreciation is by using the envelopes on the pew backs to place your monetary gifts. Please put your gift in the envelope, mark it Pastor's Appreciation, and then simply place it in the offering plate at any time during the month of October. We will celebrate our Ministry Staff in worship on November 2.

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY - NOVEMBER 2ND Every year during our All Saints Sunday service, we remember those who have passed away in the faith during the course of the year. If you have a loved one who has died in the faith during the past year, email us at info@immanuelriverside.com with their name and when they passed. Names are due by October 27th.

NEW MEMBER CLASS STARTING Our discipleship class, Re:Form, will start on October 12th in the Conference Room after service (located where the church offices are). This class is designed for lifelong Lutherans looking for a refresher on the basics of Christianity or for those who want to simply know more about the Christian faith. If you have any questions or would like to know more, email Pastor Robert at robert.jones.immanuel@gmail.com

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES:

- October 12—November 2: **BEING TRANSFORMED**—A four part series examining the art in our sanctuary in light of God's Word.
- November 9-November 23: **MALACHI & MONEY**—God's Word through the prophet Malachi has a lot to say about who we are and how we should look at what God gives us.

DIVORCE CARE Meets Thursdays at 6:30pm in the conference room A Christ centered divorce support group in the Conference Room led by Scott and Cindy Hutter. Divorce Care is open to church and community. Divorce Care is designed to help comfort and heal those going through separation and divorce. Some come to faith for the first time during this painful ordeal and participants tend to grow in their Christian faith journey. For more information, please feel free to contact Cindy and Scott Hutter at 909-234-0942. or email us at scotthutter60@gmail.com. Divorce Care has an excellent website detailing topics, etc., at www.Divorcecare.org.

MENS BIBLE STUDY Meetings are first and third Saturdays at 8:30am in the conference room. Our next meeting will be on Saturday, November 1st. Coffee and donuts at every meeting and we will be studying the book of Genesis. If you are interested please call the office at 951-682-7613 or email info@immanuelriverside.com

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY Meets the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 9:30am and led by Leslie Reick. ***There will not be a meeting on October 25th***, the next meeting will be on November 8th, we are studying The Chosen Bible Study, watch and reflect on the third season of The Chosen together.

VOLUNTEER AT THE EXHIBIT We need your help with Icons in Transformation. Volunteer today for a shift on either Saturdays or Sundays so that we can continue to welcome members and community visitors alike. Volunteers serve in four-man teams for a 2 1/2 hour shift. Sign up with Suzie after service or online. Thank you for your help : Sign up at immanuelriverside.com/icons or scan QR code to Volunteer.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Last week, our elementary school kicked-off the Operation Christmas Child season! If you would like to pack a box that will bring joy to a child in need, there are instructions and labels in the narthex and in the office. This is a ministry of Samaritan's Purse that spreads the Gospel all around the world. Bring your box in on November 19th by 3:00 pm so we can pray over it and get it to the distribution center.



ARE YOU HANDY? IMMANUEL NEEDS YOUR HELP!

DO YOU HAVE ANY EXPERIENCE WITH PLUMBING, ELECTRICAL, OR JUST A BIG DIY ENTHUSIAST? WE HAVE PLENTY OF SMALL PROJECTS AROUND CAMPUS THAT MAY NEED YOUR SKILLS!

CONTACT US TO BE ADDED TO THE LIST OF VOLUNTEER WORKERS!

INFO@IMMANUELRIVERSIDE.COM
(951)682-7613



ILCS PTL presents

MOMS NIGHT OUT

TACO TUESDAY AND BUNCO

Join us at Cactus Cantina for a fun night of bunco, getting to know your fellow moms, and tacos!!!

10/21
6-8PM

Prizes

- Permanent jewelry
- 2 Kelly Spa day passes at the Mission
- Mini photography session

\$40 PER PERSON, INCLUDES DINNER



MOMS NIGHT OUT—Tuesday, October 21st 6-8pm. \$40 a person, includes dinner. ILCS PTL presents Taco Tuesday and Bunco. Join us at Cactus Cantina for a fun night of bunco, getting to know your fellow moms, and tacos!!!! Click link to sign up https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdA-85BqDntOdm_cv0u5DltCO6RsFpaPIDyxhkDIAgsqNs9Aq/viewform?pli=1



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November 1, 2025***

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- 1** Start your order at redrobin.com/order and select the restaurant above.
- 2** In the menu, go to the category labeled "Fundraisers (To-Go Only)" and click on that item.
- 3** Click the "add" button, and then "add to bag."
- 4** Add your meal items and check out.
- 5** Arrive at Red Robin, come in, say hi, grab your food and be on your way! If your location has curbside pick-up, we can bring it to your car too!

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TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADERS AND ASSISTANTS

Preacher Pastor Robert Jones
 Elder Jim Kaminskil
 D.C.E. Intern Gina Bertaina
 Ushers Brett Bailey, Robert Swortwood, Carlos Olea, Heather Olea
 Lector Brooke Batdorf
 Greeters Brett and Eileen Bailey
 Piano/Organ Dr. Elvin Rodriguez, Jan Smith
 Praise Team Suzie Pratt, Linette Rodriguez
 Tech Team Lieve Haga, Charlotte Haga
 Acolyte Olivia Howard

OUR VISION

Immanuel Lutheran Church and School is a grace-filled community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, serving the Inland Empire as a center for Christian faith. Our worship honors God in both classical and contemporary styles where Christ is glorified and proclaimed. We disciple both youth and adults, engaging hearts and minds through Bible education and the arts. Our schools pursue excellence in educating children as well as impacting families with the transforming love of God. As followers of Jesus we live out our faith through service, evangelism, and missions in our community and the world.

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- Download the Immanuel App and click the GIVING tab.
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