

Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran Church

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Church Office Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

Worship Service at 9:00 am on Sunday and 11:am on the 1st Sunday of each month

Third Sunday of Advent

December 15, 2019 at 9am

Prelude

Announcements

Greetings

Confession and Forgiveness

Kyrie

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Canticle of Praise

“This is the Feast”

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Prayer of the Day

Children’s Sermon and Lighting of the Advent Candle – Advent 3

Hymn

“Light One Candle to Watch for Messiah”

#240 vs. 3

Lyrics Provided

Opening Hymn “Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn” #242 vss. 1,2,4

Use Hymnal

First Reading:

Isaiah 35:1-10 *Bible in the pew*

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Gospel Acclamation

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras

Hymn of the Day

“Light Dawns on A Weary World”

#726

Use Hymnal

Prayers of Intercession

Hymn

“Come Now Prince of Peace” *Lyrics Provided*

#247 vv. 1

Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body.

Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people

Sharing of Peace

Offering

Offertory “He Came Down”

Use Hymnal

#253 vss. 1,2,3

Offering Prayer

Holy Communion

Great Thanksgiving

Holy Holy Holy

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Thanksgiving at The Table

The Lord’s Prayer

Invitation to Communion

All are welcome at the Lord’s table. We believe Christ is truly present in the bread and the wine, that is his body and blood are given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sin. If you do not wish to receive communion but wish to receive a blessing, please come forward during the distribution of communion. If you are unable to come forward during distribution and wish to receive communion, please let the usher know and the pastor will come to your seat. Wine and grape juices are available as well as gluten free wafers upon request.

Lamb of God

Communion Hymns “Blessed Be the God of Israel” *Use Hymnal* **#250**

“Each Winter As The Year Grows Older” *Use Hymnal* **#252**

Blessing after Communion

Prayer after Communion

Blessing

Closing Hymn

“Prepare the Royal Highway”

#264 vss. 1,2,4

Lyrics Provided

Dismissal

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Prayer Concerns: Thelma, Esther, Barb Peterson, Pam (Rodney Riese’s wife), Kathrine Sylvia, Jezel, Joelle, and Suad (Rev. Niveen’s family), Norm, April Winters, Brianna, Alice, Charissa Helling, Scott Kurth, Phyllis, Mary Knott, Ashley Nickolai, Laura Beckman, Joan Bergeth, David Schwarm, Sara Sopiesczyk, Joan Lind, and Jeff Groethe. (Contact ILC office to update.)

Monday, December 19, 2019: Executive Meeting at 5:30pm and Council Meeting at 6:05pm.

Saturday, December 21, 2019: Bethlehem Christmas Simulcast Service. Join with congregations at Washington National Cathedral and Christmas Lutheran Church in Bethlehem for this 12th annual Simulcast Christmas Service

celebrating the birth of the Prince of Peace. Join audiences from across the globe online at: [youtube.com/wncathedral](https://www.youtube.com/wncathedral)

Sunday, December 22, 2019: Christmas Songfest Service (Carols & Candles) and children program at 9:00am. Sunday School Children: Please meet in the fellowship hall before the church service.

Monday, December 23, 2019: Deadline for articles and submissions for the January 2020 newsletter.

Tuesday, December 24, 2019: Christmas Eve Services at 4pm & 7pm with Holy Communion by intinction.

Wednesday, December 25, 2019: Christmas Day Service starts at 9am with Holy Communion by intinction.

Mitten Tree: The Mitten Tree is set up in the Narthex. It will be there through the end of January. You may bring donations of mittens, gloves, hats, scarves, and sweaters to put under the tree. The items collected will be taken to the Neighbor's Place.

Olive Oil is Here! The 500 ml bottles are available in the church office for \$15.00. The purchase of this excellent olive oil supports the Palestinian farmers who are part of the cooperative. In addition to using it for your own purposes, it also makes a wonderful gift to give someone!

Stewardship Committee - - Reminder: Please get "gifting cards" handed in. Thank you.

Greater Wausau Christian Services is asking for your help this year. You can help in several ways: by donating to the Kids Kount program, make a donation

to help with the purchase of Bibles, or make a cash donation for the juvenile center. Please see the November 4, 2019 letter on the bulletin board.

Pastor's Soap and Lip Balm is now available. Each bar is created using organic ingredients. Only \$3 per bar of soap and \$2 for each lip balm. Proceeds from the sale of this soap and lip balm will go toward the Carpet Cleaning Fund and Genesis Fund.

Worship Services are on Charter Cable Channel 980 5:45 pm Tuesday & 9:15 am Thursday or online: Wausau Area Access Media: waam.viebit.com (Left side, scroll to Immanuel Lutheran.)

Worship Assistants – Today				
Presiding Minister: Rev. Dr. Niveen Sarras				
Assisting Minister	Communion Assistant (s)	Pianist / Organist	Reader (s)	Head Usher
Mary McDonell	Doug Helling / Jane Reilly-Smith	Karen Zuidema	Tom McDonell	Mike Schwede
Greeters	Nursery	Video Recorder	Cantor	Acolytes
Jerry & Judy Nickolai	Sue Doede	Jamie Rice-Heckendorf		Baylen Hulstrom
Altar Guild: Holly & Dan Westaby			Contact Person: Margaret Johnson	

Weekly Schedule		
Sun. Dec 15	9am	Worship Service –Third Sunday of Advent
	10:15am	Coffee Hour hosted
Tues. Dec 17	5:30pm	Bell Choir Practice
Wed. Dec. 18	1pm	Midweek Advent Service: Blue Christmas at the Sanctuary
Thurs. Dec. 19	7:30am	Men's Discussion Group
	5:30pm	Executive Committee Meeting
	6:05pm	Council Meeting
Fri. Dec. 20		Church Office Closed

Attendance For 12/8/19: 68

Our Sister Church is the Lobatla Parish. Address is: c/o Moruti (Pastor) Rev. G.M. Nkale, P.O. Box 160, Motswedi 2870, Republic of South Africa. Email for Pastor: nkalesto@gmail.com