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All Saints' Day (Observed)

November 5, 2017

VISITORS – WE WELCOME YOU to this house of prayer this morning. May you feel at home among friends as we worship together. We invite you to sign your name in the guest book in the back of the church and hope you will return again soon.

This morning we celebrate the Sacrament of the Altar, a feast of forgiveness in which we partake of the true body and blood of Christ along with the visible elements of bread and wine. The Bible gives specific instructions about the Lord's Supper. As it can be received to one's blessing or to one's harm (1 Corinthians 11:27-29), the Lord's Table must be approached with a sincere faith and a Biblical understanding. That's why all who are new to the Lutheran faith are instructed about this sacred meal before attending the Lord's Supper. Moreover, this Sacrament is also a testimony of our oneness in what we believe (1 Corinthians 10:17). Therefore, we welcome to the Holy Supper all members of Immanuel who have been confirmed and those confirmed members of sister congregations with whom we are in fellowship through unity in teaching (LCMS and TAALC). All guests who wish to receive the Sacrament are asked to speak with Pastor Sorenson before the service. The faith that we believe and confess is a beautiful gift of God. If you are new to Immanuel, we warmly welcome and encourage you to learn about this faith.

Prelude

Ringing of the Bell

Cross Procession/Opening Hymn: #517 Verses 1, 4, 3 "By All Your Saints in Warfare"

Invocation

P: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

Confession and Announcement of Grace

P: Beloved Saints of God: We gather before the Lord in whose Name we were granted sainthood in Holy Baptism. Let us now consider our unworthiness of such a gift and implore the Almighty God for His mercy and the power to amend our sinful lives.

P: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer,

C: we poor sinners confess to You that we are sinful and unclean and that we have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed; therefore, we flee for refuge to Your boundless mercy, seeking Your grace for the sake of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

(silence for self-examination)

P: O most merciful God,

C: You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us. Have mercy on us and for the sake of Christ grant us forgiveness of all our sins; by Your Holy Spirit, increase in us true knowledge of You and of Your will and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

P: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only Son to die for us and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To those who believe on His Name He gives the power to become the saints of God and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, O Lord, to us all.

C: Amen.

Introit of the Day, prayed responsivelyworship insert

Hymn of Praise: #671, "Sing with All the Saints in Glory"

Salutation

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

Collect of the Day, spoken by Pastor

First Reading: Revelation 7:9-17 Response

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Gradual of the Day, chanted by Pastor

Epistle: 1 John 3:1-3

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Alleluia #952

Holy Gospel: Matthew 5:1-12

Responses

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 5th chapter.

C: Glory to You, O Lord.

(The Gospel is read.)

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

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Hymn of the Day: #672, "Jerusalem the Golden"

Sermon: "Hidden Saints"

Offering

Prayer of the Church

P: Let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

Commemoration of the Faithful Departed

P: We now remember those who, together with us, stood at the foot of the cross; who heard the Easter truths at the Empty Tomb; who have gone before us to the place where goodness and mercy will follow them all their days; and where they will dwell in the house of the Lord forever.

(We observe silence as chimes are heard and we remember our loved ones who have died confessing the faith.)

P: Gracious Father, we give You thanks that You have kept these our loved ones in true faith, by Your Word and Sacraments, through this life and unto eternal glory. Keep us also by the same powerful means, that we may boldly confess Your salvation unto the time of our departure from this world and finally be reunited with all the saints in glory. We praise You that You have comforted us by Your Holy Spirit in our times of grieving. Grant that we may continually speak of the hope that is in us to others who grieve. We look forward to that day when all Your saints will live together in Your eternal embrace and together share the joys of heaven. We pray all this through Jesus Christ, our hope and our salvation.

C: Amen.

Preface

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

Sanctus: "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord"p. 208 in front of LSB

Lord's Prayer back cover of the hymnal

Words of Institution

Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: Amen.

Distribution Hymns #629, "What Is This Bread" #677, "For All the Saints" #656, "A Mighty Fortress Is Our God"

Post-Communion Prayer Benediction

Closing Hymn: #670, "Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

Silent Prayer/Chimes Announcements Postlude

GERMANY PRESENTATION PLANNING MEETING

A brief meeting will be held after worship today to ensure that the Germany group is prepared for the presentation/potluck to take place next Sunday, November 12th!

NOVEMBER 12 - GERMANY TRIP PRESENTATION/GERMAN POTLUCK

Mark your calendars! Following the worship service on November 12th, we will have a presentation by the members of Hay Creek who went to Germany during July. In conjunction with the presentation, we will also have a German potluck. So pull out your favorite German recipes to share! If you need ideas for what to bring, Pastor Sorenson is willing to offer some suggestions for you!

CHURCH BASEMENT PLANNING SESSION

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the next meeting being led by the Properties Committee on Tuesday, November 7th at 7:00 PM. Please help the committee as it considers the future use of the space in the unfinished basement. How would you like to see that space used? What do our Sunday School classes need in order to function effectively? Help us think through these issues and more at our next Committee meeting on November 7th!

LIFE QUOTE

November 5 "God calls us all to support widows and orphans, but that certainly does not mean every person is equipped to adopt a child. You can support a child in need without becoming his or her parent. Consider sponsoring a child overseas, going on a short-term mission trip to an orphanage, or financially supporting couples who adopt children through adoption grant-giving organizations. There are many ways to become involved." *Kim Laube, B.A., Lutheran Family Service, Urbandale, Iowa – A Life Quote from Lutherans For Life* • *www.lutheransforlife.org*

LADIES MISSION GROUP NEWS

Have you noticed the new banners in church? The Ladies Mission Group has used some of the donations that have been given for serving at funerals and purchased some new banners. We certainly want to thank all the ladies that help serve at funerals. It is greatly appreciated.

The Mission Group works on quilts the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. All ladies are invited to join us for food, fellowship and a bit of sewing. We will again give quilts to the Red Wing Christmas project for needy families. We also have given quilts to the Women's Shelter in Red Wing and to our high school graduated each year. We are always in need of flat sheets that are in good condition.

YOUTH EVENT - SAINTS NORTH ROLLER SKATING

A youth event has been planned for the afternoon of Saturday, November 18th. We will be going roller skating at Saints North in the cities. We will leave from church at 11:45 AM and return late afternoon. The cost is \$6 to skate and \$2 for quad rentals and \$3 for inline rentals. Concessions will be available at the rink, but if you would like to bring a bag lunch Pastor will have a cooler available. A sign-up sheet has been posted on the bulletin board for those who would like to attend.