

GAUDETE - "REJOICE"  
THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT  
December 17, 2017

Prayer upon entering and leaving God's house: In the front of the hymnal and pages 308-309. Welcome one and all. We pray and trust that you will be enriched as you hear the Word of the Lord, our risen Savior, Jesus, and worship Him. Guests, sign our guest book (providing your complete mailing address), and come again soon. Have a great day and week in the Lord, enjoy the peace He has won, and tell someone about Him this week.

"The body and the blood of Jesus, given and shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins, will be distributed and received during our worship service this morning. Since those who commune at the altar are joined together in Christ as well as together in the teachings of the congregation (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 11:17-30; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Cor. 10:16-18), Immanuel Lutheran Church observes the historical and biblical practice of Closed Communion so that no one would receive the holy sacrament to their damnation and so that they may give a proper witness to their faith. Visitors from congregations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod are invited to commune. Others are invited to visit with the pastor concerning our Communion practices."

Liturgy: Divine Service 4 page 203  
Hymns: 346 - "When All the World Was Cursed"  
347 - "Comfort, Comfort Ye My People"  
Distribution: 343, 354, 383  
349 - "Hark the Glad Sound"  
The *Gloria in Excelsis* is omitted during Advent.

IN HIS SERVICE TODAY ARE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

December Altar Guild: Dottie Michaelis & Pat Miller  
8:15 A.M. Usher. Mike Reed, Hunter Reed, & Gunner Reed. Greeters: The Jacob Family. 10:30 A.M. Ushers: Joseph Tews and Jordan Fortsch. Greeters: Becky Kreidermacher and Bev Luehmann. Elder on Duty: Ted Tews

THIS WEEK AT SILO

Today 8:15 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. –Communion  
9:30 A.M. – Bible Study & Sunday School  
Monday Scrip orders due  
BB – Rochester Home School @ Silo  
Tuesday Mid - Quarter  
Wednesday 1:00 & 7:00 P.M. – Christmas Program  
Offering: Silo School  
NO PSC  
Thursday Scroll items due  
Friday Parent transportation  
Sunday **December 24 - 10:00 A.M. Sunday Worship**  
**No Bible Study or Sunday School**  
7:00 P.M – Christmas Eve Worship  
Offering: POBLO / LINC

Looking ahead:.

Monday - December 25 – Worship 10:00 A.M

Offering: Home

December 31 – 10:00 A.M. Sunday Worship / Communion

No Bible Study or Sunday School

January 1 -10:00 A.M. New Year's Day Worship

Offering: Local Lutheran Hour

January 14 will be installation of congregational officers at both services.

January 21 – 8:00 P.M. is the Quarterly Voters Meeting

*Not sure which Scrip card to get? We have Visa Gift Cards that can be used ANYWHERE! They are available in \$50, \$100 & \$250 Joanne Prigge is in the cafeteria each school day morning from 7:45 – 8:15 if you would like Scrip cards. Scrip cards will also be available at the cafeteria entrance after each church service. Please contact Joanne Prigge 689-2163, Karen Lorch 507-951-8906, Tammy Kreidermacher 507-458-4736 or Raeanna Tveten 507-259-7860 if these times are not convenient for you.*

Dear Members of Immanuel congregation: Thanks you so much for the bags of groceries & items for my family. This evenigh I was worried about what to fix for my son for dinner. What a wonderful surprise to find all these groceries, Thank you! The Welkers

#### IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE

Church attendance for Sunday, Dec. 10: 91+106=197

Bible Study attendance for Sunday, Dec. 10: 61

Attendance for Advent worship Dec. 13: 121+37=159

*Budget required contributions / week: \$13,627*

PRAISE THE LORD!

Scrip cards - When planning for Christmas, please consider using scrip cards. Cards make great gifts for family, teachers, friends, bus drivers, etc. We also have many cards that can be used for purchasing fuel for Holiday travel, groceries, restaurants, or general store use to purchase supplies and gifts. Online retailers such as Amazon and Shutterfly also offer scrip cards. We have many of these cards on hand for sale after church services and school day mornings. **In addition, orders are placed on the following date if you'd like more card options or larger quantities: Dec. 11. December 18 they plan to send in an additional order.** We may also have orders in between these dates if there is need for it.