

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

37515 Park Trail, Almelund, MN 55012
Pastor Justin Fenger
All Saints Sunday
November 2, 2025

A welcoming community rooted in Christ, growing in faith and serving with joy!



Service for Sunday 11/2/2025 GATHERING Today's Service is using the <u>ELW</u>; Red Book

PRELUDE: Dadu Reeves

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS:

TEMPLE TALK:

Welcome to Immanuel!

Thank you for joining us for our worship service. Whoever you are, whatever you've done, or wherever you are in life. You are loved by God which means, You are welcome here at God's Immanuel. grace is given freely, not earned. whatever journey you are on, God led you here today. We thank you for coming and hope to see you again soon.

Visitors, welcome to worship! If you are interested in knowing more about our congregation, please speak to Pastor Justin or call the church office! Contact info is on the back of this bulletin.

We Encourage all Children who can read, to follow along in the bulletin during our worship service.

We invite you to follow the service and take part in a way that feels right to you.

Hearing devices are available from an usher.

P = Pastor

L = Leader

C = Congregation

R = Reader

Sections in **bold** are to be read by the congregation.

Today's Scripture

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18 Psalm 149 Luke 6:20-31

CALL TO WORSHIP:

- L: Today, we gather in gratitude and reflection. We remember the saints—those we have loved, those who have shaped our faith, those whose lives have left a lasting imprint on our hearts. These saints, both living and gone before us, have shared God's love with us, teaching us how to live generously.
- C: We give thanks for the saints who have touched our lives with their faith and love.
- L: These are not just names from history, but our loved ones—parents, grandparents, friends, mentors—people who made the deepest impact on our lives. They communicated the faith to us, lived it out before us, and still dwell in our memories, shaping who we are today.
- C: Their love and faith have shown us the way of Christ.
- L: Let us worship the God of every good and perfect gift, who has given us the gift of these saints and the gift of life through Jesus Christ.
- C: Thanks be to God, who is the giver of all good things.

OPENING HYMN: Borning Cry ELW 732 Red

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

Gracious God, today we are filled with memories—of loved ones who have gone before us and those still walking with us in faith. We thank you for their lives, their witness, and the ways they have taught us to love, serve, and be generous. As we worship today, remind us of their example and stir in our hearts the same generosity they showed us. May we live with the same open hands and hear. Amen

CHILDREN'S SERMON:

NOISY OFFERING:

SCRIPTURE READING:

In the first year of King Belshazzar of Babylon, Daniel had a dream and visions of his head as he lay in bed. Then he wrote down the dream: ²I, Daniel, saw in my vision by night the four winds of heaven stirring up the great sea, ³ and four great beasts came up out of the sea, different from one another. ¹⁵As for me, Daniel, my spirit was troubled within me, and the visions of my head terrified me. ¹⁶I approached one of the attendants to ask him the truth concerning all this. So he said that he would disclose to me the interpretation of the matter: ¹⁷"As for these four great beasts, four kings shall arise out of the earth. ¹⁸But the holy ones of the Most High shall receive the kingdom and possess the kingdom forever—forever and ever."

Daniel 7:1-3, 15-18

PSALM: Psalm 149

- R: Praise the Lord! Sing to the Lord a new song, his praise in the assembly of the faithful.
- C: Let Israel be glad in its Maker; let the children of Zion rejoice in their King.
- R: Let them praise his name with dancing, making melody to him with tambourine and lyre.
- C: For the Lord takes pleasure in his people; he adorns the humble with victory.
- R: Let the faithful exult in glory; let them sing for joy on their couches.
- C: Let the high praises of God be in their throats and two-edged swords in their hands,
- R: to execute vengeance on the nations and punishment on the peoples,
- C: to bind their kings with fetters and their nobles with chains of iron,
- R: to execute on them the judgment decreed. This is glory for all his faithful ones.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Thine The Amen (v.1) ELW 826 Red

GOSPEL: Luke 6:20-31

Glory to you, O Lord

²⁰Then he looked up at his disciples and said: "Blessed are you who are poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. ²¹"Blessed are you who are hungry now, for you will be filled. "Blessed are you who weep now, for you will laugh. ²²"Blessed are you when people hate you, and when they exclude you, revile you, and defame you on account of the Son of Man. ²³Rejoice in that day and leap for joy, for surely your reward is great in heaven; for that is what their ancestors did to the prophets. ²⁴"But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation. ²⁵"Woe to you who are full now, for you will be hungry. "Woe to you who are laughing now, for you will mourn and weep. ²⁶"Woe to you when all speak well of you, for that is what their ancestors did to the false prophets. ²⁷"But I say to you that listen, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, ²⁸bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. ²⁹If anyone strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from anyone who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. ³⁰Give to everyone who begs from you; and if anyone takes away your goods, do not ask for them again. ³¹Do to others as you would have them do to you."

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ

SERMON:

HYMN OF THE DAY:

Shall We Gather at The River

ELW 423 Red

REFLECTION ON THE SAINTS:

L: Today we remember the saints—not just those recorded in history books, but those who walked alongside us, those who shaped our lives in ways we may never fully understand. These are our parents, our grandparents, our teachers, our friends. These are the people who showed us what it means to live with faith, to give generously of themselves, to build up the community of Christ.

They are the ones who helped build this church, who gave their time and talents to create a place where faith could grow. They prayed for us, served with us, and walked with us on our journey. Today, we light candles to honor them—our saints, who continue to live in our hearts and memories.

CANDLE LIGHTING & READING OF THOSE PASSED DURING THE YEAR:

L: As we read the name of who has gone before us, we invite you to remember the ways they impacted your life, your family, and your faith. For each name read, a candle will be lit in their memory, reminding us that their light continues to shine through us.

Mylo Lundquist

(Congregation may come forward to light a candle for loved ones)

L: These are the saints who have gone before us, whose light continues to shine in our lives. We give thanks for their faith, their love, and their generosity, which have shaped who we are today.

(Moment of Silence)

L: Let us take a moment of silence to remember those not named but still held deeply in our hearts, who have shaped our lives and faith with their presence.

(Moment of silence)

C: We give thanks for their lives and the legacy of faith they have left behind.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:

Congregational Response: Lead Me Jesus Lead Me Jesus Lead Me Jesus... Lead Me Lord

OFFERTORY:

OFFERTORY PRAYER:

Gracious God, you enrich our lives in big and small ways, materially and spiritually. Inspired by your generosity, we return these gifts to the work of the church: to enlighten and inspire, to care for those in need, and to act for justice. Bless these gifts to your service. Amen.

HOLY COMMUNION:

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION:

THE LORD'S PRAYER: Pg.112 ELW

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, the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

EUCHARISTIC INVITATION:

We join the saints at the table of grace, one holy circle of God's children. Bless us by these gifts of bread and wine, and give us strength to complete the race which we have begun in Christ. Come now, for everything has been prepared for you.

DISTRIBUTION:

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION:

SENDING:

P: In Jesus, we are given an inheritance.

C: We are destined to live with him in glory.

P: We have heard the word of truth.

C: We have heard the gospel of salvation.

P: We have believed what we have heard.

C: And we rejoice in the glory of God.

P: We have been marked with the seal of the Holy Spirit.

C: This is the pledge of our inheritance.

P: We will be redeemed as God's own people,

C: To the praise of his glory.

P: Now we live in this hope,

C: And remember those who have died in this hope,

P: Trusting that God keeps God's promises,

C: And we shall see God face to face.

CLOSING HYMN: For All The Saints (v.v.1,6) ELW 422 Red

DISMISSAL:

Go in peace, with Christ beside you. Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE:

ILC ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Member Sunday — November 9

Thinking about making Immanuel your church home? We'd love to welcome you! To become a new member, simply text or email Pastor Justin (see contact info on the back of the worship bulletin). There are new member forms and a sign-up sheet on the table outside the Fireside Room. Nothing is required—just a willingness to participate with us in the mission and community of Almelund.

Please return forms to Mark in the church office. If the door is locked, you can slide them under the door.

The Parish Care Team will meet on November 4, 2025.

Stewardship will meet on November 4 at 1pm in the Fireside Room.

Memorial Committee will meet on Monday, November 10 at 5:00 pm

The Immanuel Quilters will meet Tuesday, November 11th, 10-2pm, with a potluck lunch at noon.



NO PRESENTS, please... only your PRESENCE!

IMPORTANT NOTE: If it is below 45°F,
the Carousel will NOT be running,
but we will party on!
Please dress appropriately...Cafesjian's
Carousel Pavilion is NOT heated!
Enter thru the gate on the SE side of the pavilion.

An RSVP would be appreciated but is not required / 651-874-5149 or e-mail: tracymtolzmann@gmail.com

Cafesjian's Carousel is located in Saint Paul's beautiful Como Park 1245 Midway Parkway (just East of Hamline Avenue) ~ there's lots of free parking ~

forward to seeing you!

Merrie

& Tracy

We look

Como Park Zoo & Conservatory are open 10:00 am to 4:00 pm

Naomi Circle will meet at the home of Julie Weller on November 18th at 9:30am for our monthly meeting. See you then!

Confirmation Classes: for November, 12th & 19th 5:30-7:00

2025 Annual Meeting at Luther Point on Sunday, November 16, at 2:00 PM.

Advent Family Adventures — Wednesday, Nov. 19 • 5:30–7:30 PM

Youth Group News:

Wreath Sales are starting NOW. Please see a Youth, Dee or Jason to order your FRESH, HANDMADE wreath. \$25 each and will be available to pick up on Nov. 23rd.

(Please make sure to order as we won't make too many extras)

Youth Group will meet: Nov. 5th, Nov. 19th. Wreath Making is Nov. 22nd

Nevers Dam and the St. Croix River

The Amador Heritage Center will present a program on Nevers Dam on Sunday, November 2 at 3 p.m. at the Amador Town Hall in Almelund. The program presenter is Lin Strong who recently published a book about this dam. This program is free and open to the public.

Nevers dam constructed on the St. Croix River in the 1890s was essential for controlling the flow of logs that came from the north through Taylors Falls downriver to Stillwater and other markets to the south.

<u>Ripley's Believe it or Not</u> featured this dam in one of its stories that featured bizarre events, unusual items and artifacts collected from around the world. Many early Chisago County citizens worked on the construction of this dam which was removed from the St. Croix River in 1955. The former location can be viewed in Wild River State Park.

Make One, Take one Pillowcase 4-H Workshop

Sunday Nov 9, 2025, Location our church, Time 1pm to 4pm. Kits provided. Bring sewing machine if able

Singers invited to sing during Lighting Festival

Collecting for the Women's & Children's Shelter

Naomi Circle will be collecting women and children pajamas for the Family Pathways women's shelter. A collection box will be placed in the Gathering area and donations will be collected until Sunday December 14th.

We, the Naomi Circle, thank you for your generous donation(s)



christmas brunch and craft/bake sale December 7, 2025 after church.

Donations needed of Christmas Cookies, baked goods, homemade candies, jams, jellies and other canned items. Also, craft items of all kinds. Please price items before bringing them. Have at church by Saturday December 6.



Saturday,

November 15, 2025, 6:00 PM Shafer Township Hall 18259 St. Croix Trail Taylors Falls, MN 55084

\$20 for 20 games

Bring items for the food shelf for a chance drawing of a complete turkey dinner

Sponsored by Immanuel Lutheran Church, Almelund



BINGO

2025 All Saints Memorials

In memory of Martin Strecker; by Martha Strecker & family for Quilting Ministry.

In memory of Kirk Lane Ness & Lee Michael Ness; by Marlin & Lois Ness for The Youth Group Mission Trip.

In memory of loved ones; by Kristine Koran & family for the African Student Scholarships.

In memory of James R. Swenson; by Gwendolyn Swenson for Building Fund-North Wing kitchen.

In memory of Dad & Mom: Archie & Anita Abrahamson; Brothers: Steve & Randy Abrahamson; by Teresa & Curt Carlson & family for Archives & Cemetery.

In memory of Dawn Swartz; by Diane Rothe for Altar Guild.

In memory of Thomas F. Jesse, Mr. & Mrs. Helmoth Jesse, Mr. & Mrs Clyde Berge, Mr. & Mrs. Harald Pahl; by Thomas & Regina Jesse for Scholarship.

In memory of Rod, Lois & Gayle Johnson; Nels & Myrtle Bostrom; by Mark & Diane Johnson for Building Fund.



Mylo Philip Lundquist November 13, 1930 – August 9, 2025

Thank you for helping lead worship today!

Pastor: Justin Fenger

Organist:Dadu Reeves

Special Music:

Reader: Julie Johnson

Ushers: Steve Tuhy Family

Communion Servers:

Clay Ryberg Clay Larson Amanda Cook

Sound Tech: Dave Rue

Camera Tech: Matt Oknich

Children's Sermon:Sharon Thiel

Altar Guild: White

Coffee Servers:

Immanuel Church Calendar This Week

Sunday, November 2 DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS

9:00 Communion Worship Service Live and Online W/Noisy Offering. Sunday School after Children's Sermon 10:00 Coffee Served: 11:00 First Lutheran Service 1:00 Tolzmann 40th @ Como

Monday, November 3 9-3 Office Hours 10:00 WOW Practice

Tuesday, November 4
9-3 Office Hours
9:00 Worship Team meets
2:30 Parish Care Meets
1:00 Stewardship Meets
5:00 Choir Practice @ FLC

Wednesday, November 5 9-3 Office Hours 1:30 Prayer Shawl Meets 6-7 Youth Group Meets

Thursday, November 6Deadline for bulletin Info
9am Wisdom Seekers @ First

Friday, November 7 9-3 Office Hours Bulletins Printed

Saturday, November 8

Sunday, November 9

9:00 Worship Service Live and Online W/Reception of new Members. Sunday School is after Children's Sermon 10:00 Coffee Served: 11:00 First Lutheran Service

Happy Birthday this week!

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Elizabeth Damm
Everett Wiberg
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Clay McCarthy
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Linda Meyer
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Scott Tolzmann
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Jay Flodquist
Adelaide Fenger

October 26, 2025 Attendance: 130

Weekly Giving Update: October 26, 2025

General \$3,678.00 Benevolence -Undesignated \$110.00 -Synod \$25.00 -World Hunger \$25.00 Building Fund \$80.00 Loose \$160.00 **Shared Ministry** \$2,130.00 Online Serv. Fee \$1.25 Total \$6,209.25

IMMANUEL STAFF

Justin Fenger, Pastor
Momoh Freeman, Organist
Pat Remer, Accompanist
Kim's Kleaning, Church Custodial work
Mark Weslander, Administrative Assistant
& Financial Recorder

Kyle Hendrickson, Financial Secretary **Daryl Abrahamson,** Cemetery

Groundskeeper

Jason & DeeDee Fredlund, Youth Directors

Teresa Carlson, Sunday School Leader **Office Hours:** M-W &F 9:00-3:00 unless otherwise noted. Cell phone is always available @ 651-431-8941

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