

Immanuel – St. Paul's



Lutheran Church
Missouri Synod



Fourth Sunday in Advent

December 23, 2018

8:00 am	Order of Worship Holy Communion TLH pg. 15ff	Hymns 61, 73, 74, 645, 62, 91
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10:00 am	Order of Worship Morning Worship LSB pg. 184	Hymns 347, 340, 352
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The Sermon

Sermon Text Philippians 4:4-7	Sermon Title Preparation by Christ for Christ
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Today's Readings

<i>First Reading</i>	Deuteronomy 18:15-19
<i>Epistle Reading</i>	Philippians 4:4-7
<i>Gospel Reading</i>	John 1:19-28

A Note to Our Visitors

We welcome you in the name of our living Savior, Jesus Christ, and we pray that your time of worship with us today will be a blessing to you.

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My sheep listen to My voice; I know them and they follow Me. I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; no one can snatch them out of My hand. John 10:27-28



Church Notes

December 23, 2018

**Next Sunday's
Scripture
Readings Are:**

Isaiah 11:1-5
Galatians 4:1-7
Luke 2:33-40

The Meaning of "Rorate Coeli"

The fourth Sunday in Advent is traditionally known as Rorate Coeli, which are the first Latin words of the Historic Introit assigned to this Sunday. Rorate Coeli means "Drop down dew, O heavens" (*Rorate, coeli, desuper, et nubes pluant iustum* = Drop down dew [ie. shower], O heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain down righteousness).

Christmas Week Services

Celebrate the coming of Jesus this week at Immanuel and St. Paul's. This evening at 6:00 pm a "Service of Lessons and Carols" will be held at Immanuel. Tomorrow at 6:00 pm the children will present the Christmas program at St. Paul's. Christmas Day services will take place at both Immanuel and St. Paul's on Tuesday, December 25. Immanuel's service will begin at 8:00 am & St. Paul's service will begin at 10:00 am.

New Year's Eve Service

Please join us to celebrate the coming new year at the New Year's Eve Service on Tuesday, December 31, starting at 6:00 pm at St. Paul's.

Sunday School

There will be no Sunday School at St. Paul's on December 30 and January 6 as we take a break for Christmas. Sunday School will resume on January 13, 2019. That day, the kids will have a Baptism Party to learn about baptism and to celebrate everyone's baptisms. The kids will also sing during the church service.



Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.

Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School

Merry Christmas! Thank you for supporting the ministry of *Christ Our Savior* in 2018. We are looking forward to a joy-filled and blessed ministry to families with you in 2019.

Holiday Hours: On December 27, 31 and January 2 the *COS* office will be open 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. On December 28, the *COS* office will be open 9:00 a.m.-noon. School will resume on January 3.

Annual Trivia Night: The annual *COS* trivia night will be January 25, 2018 at 7 pm. Trivia questions will cover a wide variety of topics to appeal to trivia players of all ages and abilities. The cost is \$12 per person with a limit of eight to a table. Students in 8th grade or under may attend for \$6 each. Reserve your table by calling 618-853-7300.

Do you know a high school student looking for a change? *COS* is accepting transfer students for the spring semester as well as scheduling shadow days for incoming freshmen. Come see for yourself what makes *COS* a great high school experience.

Early Registration Discount: The *Christ Our Savior* early registration deadline for 2019-2020 is January 31, 2019. The discounted rate is \$150 for those who register and pay the fee before the deadline.

KFUO Radio

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This week on KFUO AM850, we wish our listeners a blessed Christmas! Hear Christmas worship service live from Village Lutheran Church in Ladue on 12/25 at 10:00 a.m. For the next two weeks, celebrate the 12 Days of Christmas on KFUO Radio with exceptional Christmas and Epiphany music selections, readings and prayers for the season, stories from our missionaries, and a special look at the Christmas hymnody of the church. Regular programming resumes January 7, 2019.



And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

***Come, Holy Spirit,
And Fill the Hearts of Your Faithful***

This Week at Immanuel-St. Paul

<i>Sunday</i>	8:00 am	Immanuel – Holy Communion
	10:00 am	St. Paul's – Morning Worship
	11:00 am	St. Paul's Christmas Program Practice & Lunch Party
	6:00 pm	Service of Lessons and Carols @ IM
<i>Monday</i>		Christmas Eve
	2:00 pm	Service of Lessons and Carols @ Craig Manor
	6:00 pm	Children's Christmas Program @ SP
<i>Tuesday</i>		Christmas Day
	8:00 am	Christmas Day Service @ IM
	10:00 am	Christmas Day Service @ SP
<i>Thursday</i>	1:00 pm	Bulletin Items Deadline
<i>Next Sunday</i>	8:00 am	Immanuel – Matins
	10:00 am	St. Paul's – Matins
<i>12/31/2018</i>	6:00 pm	New Year's Eve Service @ SP