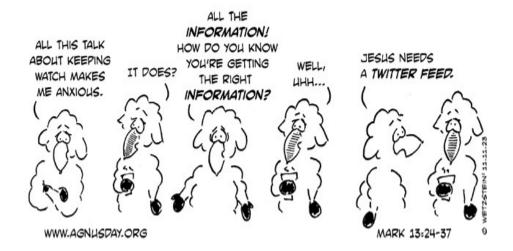
### **Statistics**

November 18 Morning Attendance	49
November 18 Morning Offering	
November 18 Evening Attendance	43
November 18 Evening Offering	\$343.00

# Those Assisting Us Today

Elder	Roy Whitehouse
Altar Guild	Sue Van Wakeman and Annette Whitehouse
Organist	Alicia Haggin
Lay Reader	Kim Clemmons
Acolyte	Jack Gallier

## **Agnus Day**



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# **Bulletin Deadline**

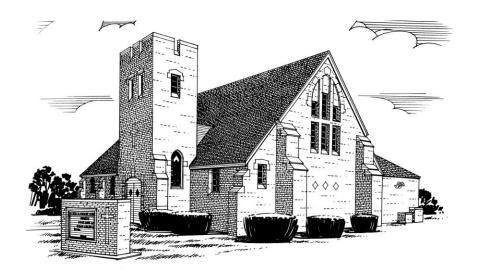
If you have announcements for the weekly Bulletin, please forward those to Linda Warsaw by **NOON on Wednesdays**. You may contact her by email at **secretary@osmanlutheran.org** or by phone **at 309-828-5883**. Thank you!

# **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH OF OSMAN**

The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod

# Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 25, 2018 at 9:30 a.m.



942 Grape Avenue, Fisher, Illinois 61843-8512 http://www.OsmanLutheran.org Church@OsmanLutheran.org (217) 897-6170

> Rev. Jeffrey McPike, BCC (312) 650-9890 Pastor@OsmanLutheran.org

### Welcome in Jesus' Name

We are pleased to have you with us and hope that you are enriched today in the fellowship of the Word. May the Lord bless you in the days ahead! If you are a visitor, please sign our guest book at the back of the church or complete a visitor card found in each pew.

### <u>Matins</u>

<b>OPENING HYMN, Hy</b>	mn Sing
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Printed Matins (see separate folder)

Psalm — Introit on bulletin insert

HYMN OF THE DAY, "Rise, My Soul, to Watch and Pray"...... 663

Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 51:4-6

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

C. Thanks be to God.

Epistle: Jude 20-25

A. O Lord, have mercy on us.

C. Thanks be to God.

Holy Gospel: Mark 13:24-37

Responsory: (see Matins folder)

Catechism: Commandments 5-8 (Page 321)

**Chapel Talk** 

Sermon

Canticle Hymn, "We Praise You and Acknowledge You, O God" ........... 941

The Offering

Prayers (please refer to the printed folder)

CLOSING HYMN, "From All That Dwell Below the Skies"...... 816

(The last stanza of this hymn has a triangle after it, indicating that it gives praise to the Trinity. We stand for that stanza, and also sing "Amen" at the end.)

## Let Us Pray...

- ...for our members who are homebound: Marge Morrissey, and Johanne Bloch
- ...for thanksgiving and praise for our blessings;
- ...for God's healing hand for those who have been ill;
- ...for Darryl Redding for healing;
- ...for Kathy Brendel for healing and strength;
- ...for Jodi Burgess for healing and strength;
- ...for Esther Lutz for healing and strength;
- ...for Tammy Warren for healing;
- ...for those in need of God's mercy and care;
- ...for Concordia Seminary, St. Louis;
- ...for Concordia Theological Seminary, Fort Wayne;
- ...and for St. Paul, Sadorus.

PLEASE return your Matins service folder to the Elder's Pew as you leave the church today, so that they may be reused. Thank You!

### **Announcements**

**The Eternal Flame** is being sponsored during the month of November by Susan and Austin Miller.

**Confirmation memory work:** Close of the Commandments and the meaning and review of the books of the Bible: Matthew - Colossians. After reciting your memory work to your parents, please get their signature.

We would like to Thank you for such a warm and blessed welcome. Thank you to the ladies that prepared the delicious meal. We are so blessed to have found a wonderful church family and are looking forward to many years of worship with all of you. Thank you again. Sincerely in Christ, Richard and Rae Ringer

**Thank you** to our church family for the cards, prayers, visits, inquiries and delicious food. Everything was greatly appreciated! Gene and Dorothy Welborn

**Thanks** to everyone who brought salads and desserts for our Thanksgiving meal last Sunday. Thanks also to Shirley Sprau, Sandy Whitehouse, and Debbie Lammle for preparing the meat, rolls and other hot dishes. We appreciate everyone who helped with cleanup!

**Everyone** is invited to "Christmas Joy, Christmas Love" on Friday, December 7th at 7pm at Friendship Lutheran Church of Joy, 3601 S. Duncan Rd., Champaign. A Free Christmas Dessert Theater is the program for the evening. Please call 217-355-0434 by Dec. 1st for reservations. (A free-will offering for missions will be taken)

**Date Change:** The next LWML meeting will be held December 7th beginning at 7pm. Topic will be given by Annette Warsaw. Connie Warsaw and Marsha Warsaw will be hostesses. If you wish to participate, please bring a \$12-15 gift for the Christmas exchange. Everyone is invited!

**Our annual Advent service** will be held on December 5th at 7pm, with refreshments in the hall following.

Christmas Treat Bags: Anyone who would like to contribute to the fruit and candy sacks which are given out on Christmas Eve, can give their money to one of the elders: Butch Sprau, Marvin Clemmons, Roy Whitehouse or Don Warsaw. A Thrivent Action Team card for \$250 which Don Warsaw applied for, will be used to cover part of the expenses.

**Poinsettias:** Anyone who wants to donate a Christmas poinsettia to adorn the altar for Christmas Eve service, please sign-up on the bulletin board by December 16th. More details to come.

**Advent** is a time to think about, and experience, the immense blessings that God wants to give us. He wants to shower us with his love just as powerfully as a cloudburst showers the earth below. He wants to shine his light into our hearts - a light that is a thousand times brighter than the sun. Our work is to slow down, simplify, and listen to the Lord.

Here are some ways you can pray during Advent for simplicity and all that it entails:

- Pray for attentiveness to what truly matters, without being distracted by trivial things.
- Pray for the grace to be able to rest, become aware of God's presence and enjoy it.
- Pray for peace in all situations, no matter what the circumstances.
- Pray for an enlivened imagination that helps you contribute to the world in creative ways.
- Pray for freedom from all that burdens you- past mistakes, fears, destructive habits, hurts other people have inflicted, and more.
- Pray for opportunities to learn something new regularly.
- Pray for discernment of how God would like you to set your priorities and ability to focus on them consistently to fulfill His purposes in your life.
- Pray for joy and a sense of humor.
- Pray for confidence in God's love for you and trust him in his power to work things out for the best in your life.
- Pray for a clear mind and the ability to clearly communicate what you value to others.
- Pray for openness to the Holy Spirit's guidance.
- Pray for the genuine awareness of God's grace in your life and the humility.
- Pray for passion to pursue justice.

(Adapted from *When True Simplicity is Gained: Finding Spiritual Clarity in a Complex World, 1988, Martin E. Marty)* parishnurse@osmanlutheran.org

"Worship Anew" - Know someone who can't get to church? Lutheran Ministries from Concordia Theological Seminary produces "Worship Anew". It airs locally on WCIX-49 Sunday mornings at 7:30am.

**Important news** is sent via EMAIL. Urgent alerts (such as service time or location changes) are sent via cell phone text message. If you want to be on either or both lists, please contact Pastor McPike.

Osman Wi-Fi: The Osman Wi-Fi code for "OsmanChurch(public)" is "romans1017".