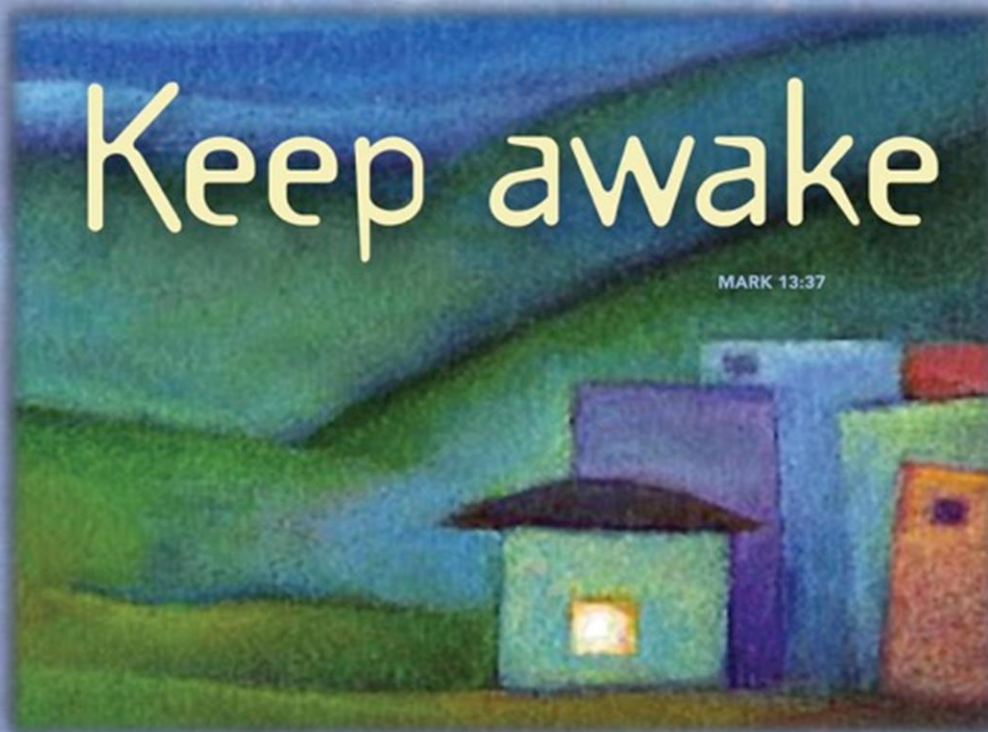


*Welcome to Immanuel Lutheran!*



**1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Advent – December 3, 2017  
8:30 a.m.**

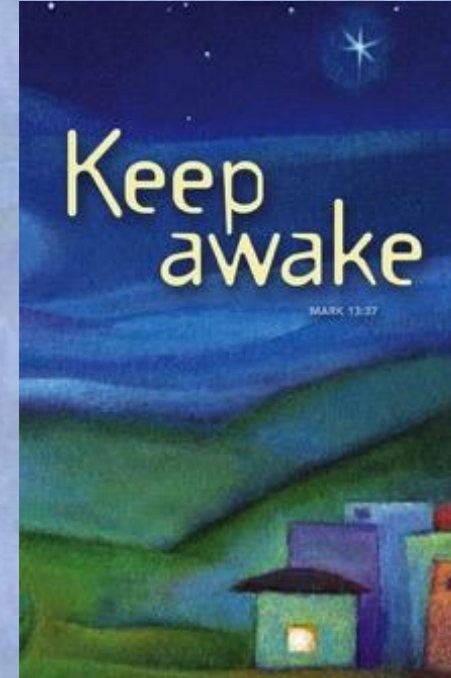
# Lighting of Advent Wreath

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, we do not lack any spiritual gift as we wait for your coming. Keep us awake and help us use our gifts to serve those who look for the dawn of your justice and mercy. **Amen.**

***Please join in singing:***

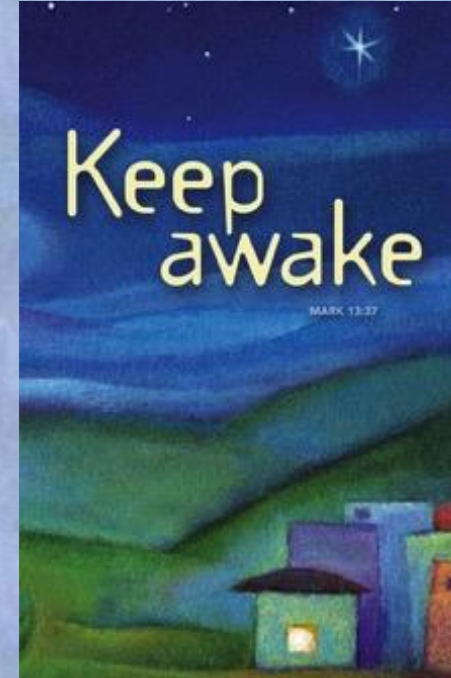
- 1 Light one candle to watch for Messiah:  
let the light banish darkness.  
He shall bring salvation to Israel,  
God fulfills the promise.**

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# Welcome

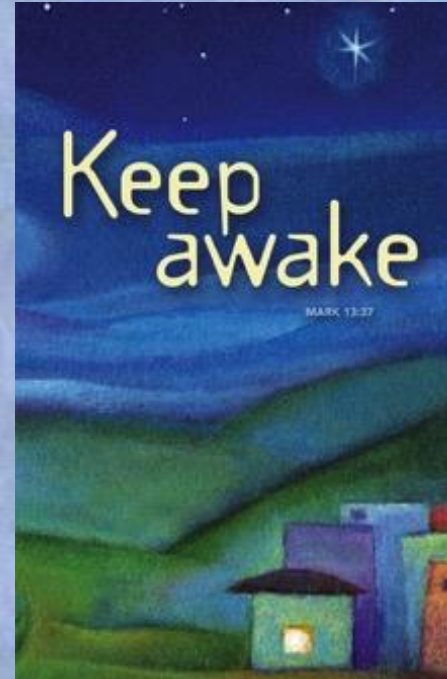
- Please take a moment to sign the *Friendship Pads*.
- We will be celebrating *holy communion*. All are welcome.



*Living in God's Grace as a Neighbor to the World*

# Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father, and of the **✝**  
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.  
**Amen.**



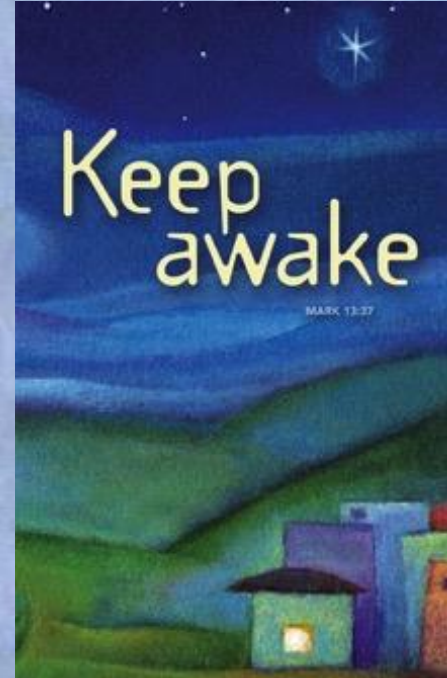
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# Confession and Forgiveness

Let us prepare the way of the Lord by confessing our sin against God and neighbor.

God of all time,

**we confess that we have not prepared for your merciful reign among us. We ignore our neighbors in need and fail in the labor of justice and peace. In your mercy forgive us. Grant us wisdom to welcome your light and to seek the things that will endure until Christ comes again in glory. Amen.**

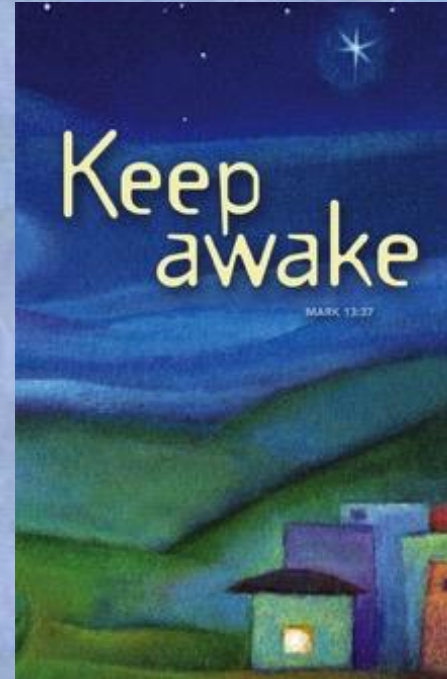


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# Confession and Forgiveness

Comfort, O comfort my people,  
says your God. In ✝ Jesus Christ your  
sins are forgiven and all things are made  
new. Rejoice in this good news!

**Amen.**



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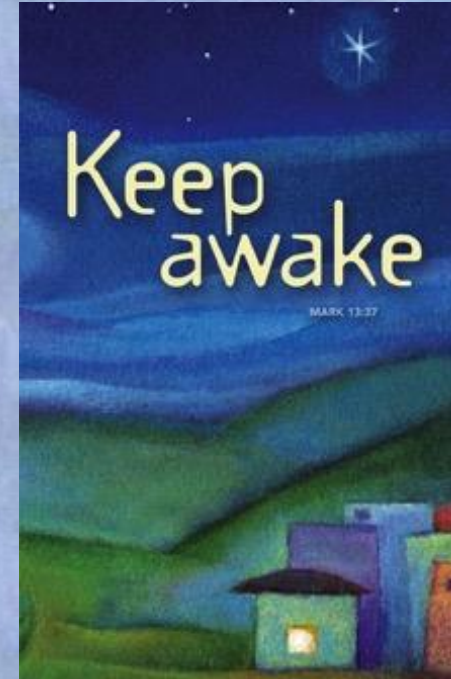
# Song of Praise – *ELW 561 v. 1*

*Please join in singing:*

**Joyous light of heav'nly glory,  
loving glow of God's own face,  
you who sing creation's story,  
shine on ev'ry land and race.**

**Now as daylight shines around us,  
we shall raise our songs to you.**

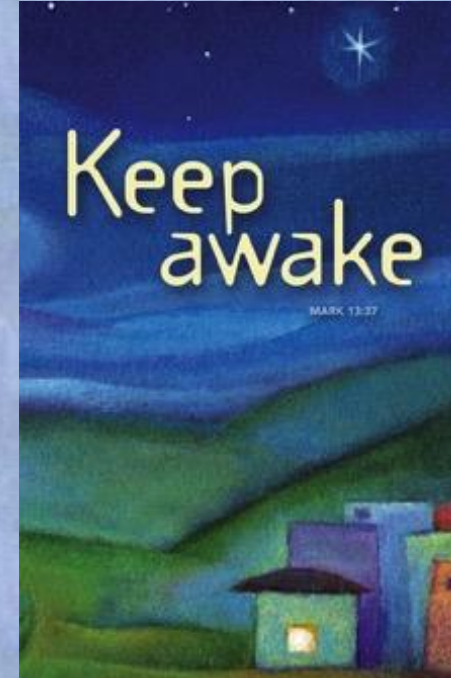
**God of daybreak, God of shadows,  
come and light our hearts anew.**



# Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**And also with you.**

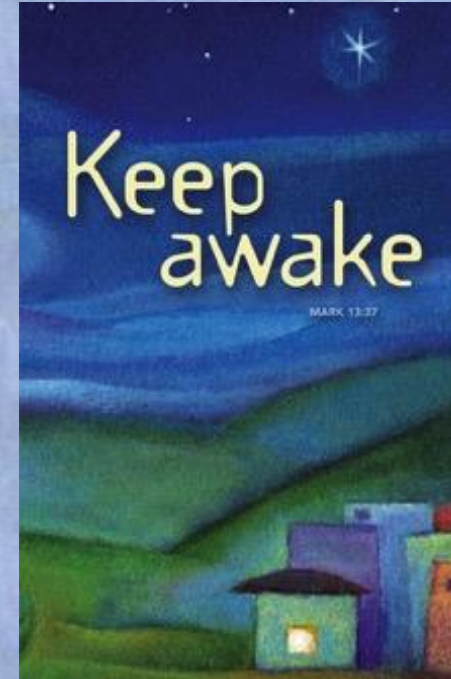


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# Prayer of the Day

Let us pray. Stir up your power, Lord Christ,  
**and come. By your merciful protection  
awaken us to the threatening dangers  
of our sins, and keep us blameless  
until the coming of your new day, for  
you live and reign with the Father and  
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and  
forever. Amen.**



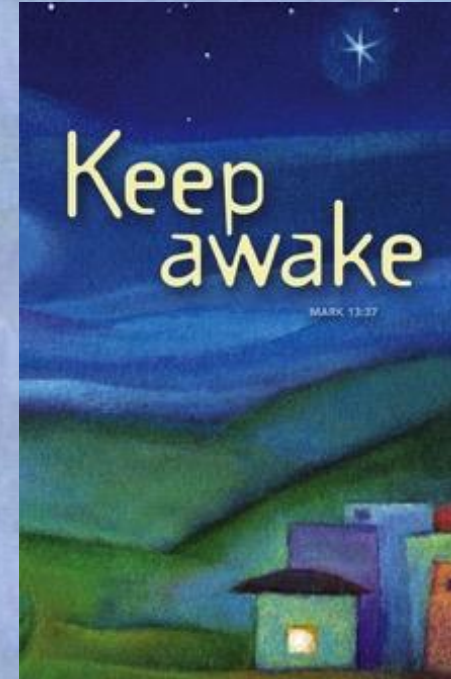
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# Song of Praise – *ELW 561 v. 2*

*Please join in singing:*

**In the stars that grace the darkness,  
in the blazing sun of dawn,  
in the light of peace and wisdom,  
we can hear your quiet song.**

**Love that fills the night with wonder,  
love that warms the weary soul,  
love that bursts all chains asunder,  
set us free and make us whole.**

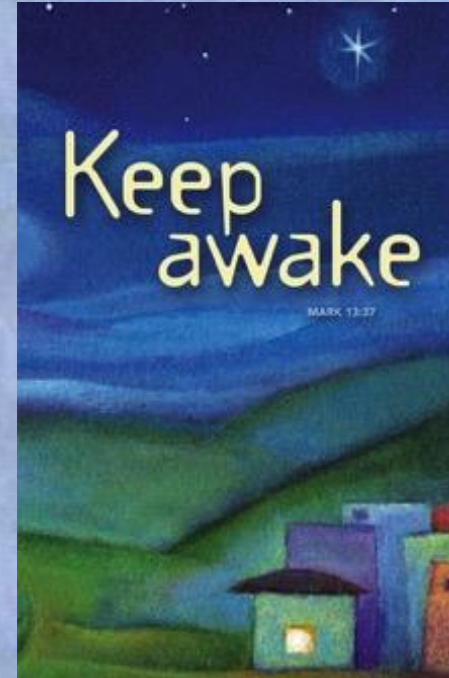


# Lessons

## **1<sup>st</sup> Lesson** – Isaiah 64:1-9

*You are encouraged to practice the art of listening as the lessons are read - the way in which the gospel was originally passed on.*

*The lessons are printed in the Celebrate insert if you wish to follow along or refer to the lesson at a later time.*



# Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

- <sup>1</sup> Hear, O Shepherd of Israel, leading Joseph like a flock;  
shine forth, you that are enthroned upon the cherubim
- <sup>2</sup> **In the presence of Ephraim, Benjamin, and  
Manasseh, stir up your strength and come to  
help us.**
- <sup>3</sup> Restore us, O God; let your face shine upon us, and we  
shall be saved.
- <sup>4</sup> **O LORD God of hosts, how long will your anger  
fume when your people pray?**

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# Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

<sup>5</sup> You have fed them with the bread of tears; you have given them bowls of tears to drink.

<sup>6</sup> **You have made us the derision of our neighbors, and our enemies laugh us to scorn.**

<sup>7</sup> Restore us, O God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.

<sup>17</sup> **Let your hand be upon the one at your right hand, the one you have made so strong for yourself.**

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# Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19

<sup>18</sup> And so will we never turn away from you; give us life, that we may call upon your name.

<sup>19</sup> **Restore us, O LORD God of hosts; let your face shine upon us, and we shall be saved.**

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# Lessons

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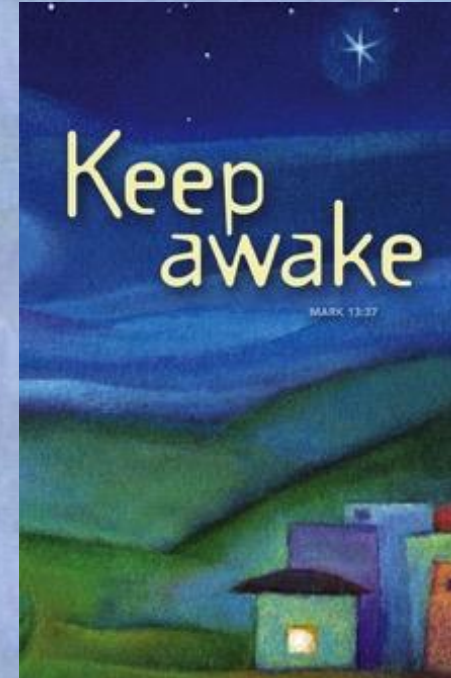
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**2<sup>nd</sup> Lesson** – 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

**Gospel** – Mark 13:24-37

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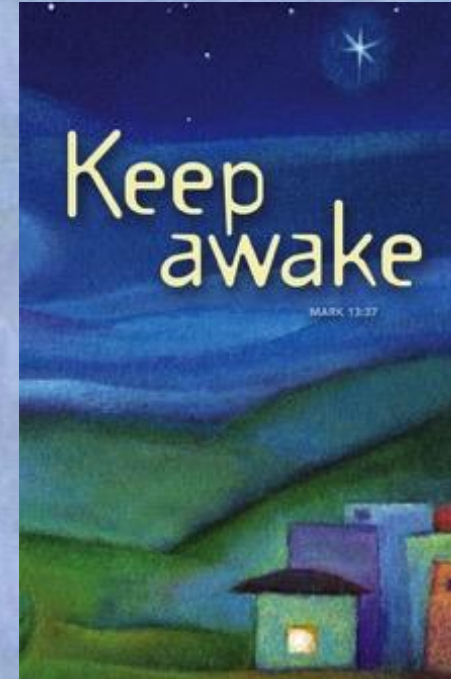


# Children's Time

*All those young (and young at heart) are welcome to come forward for a special time with the Pastor*

## Sermon

Today we welcome ***Rev. Henrietta “Hank” Milner*** as Pastor Jeff is in Iowa for the Wartburg and Luther Christmas concerts.





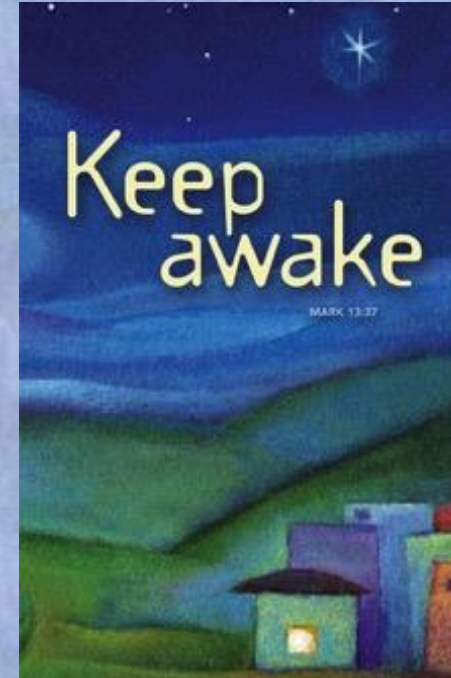
# Song of the Day – “My Lord, What a Morning”

*ELW 438*

## Refrain

My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

- 1 You will hear the trumpet sound,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.



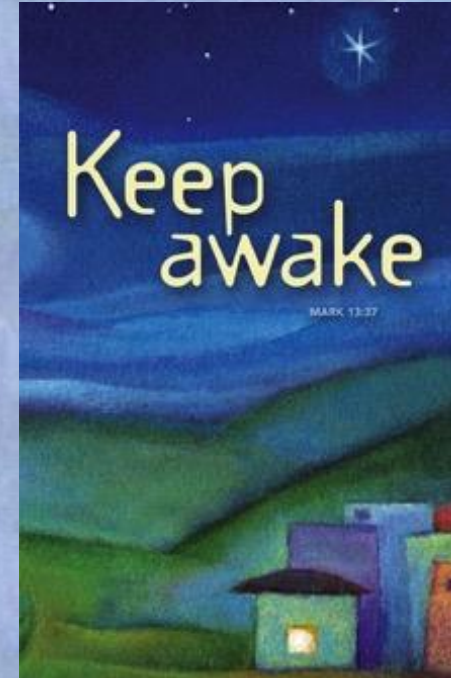
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### Refrain

My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

2 You will hear the sinner cry,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.



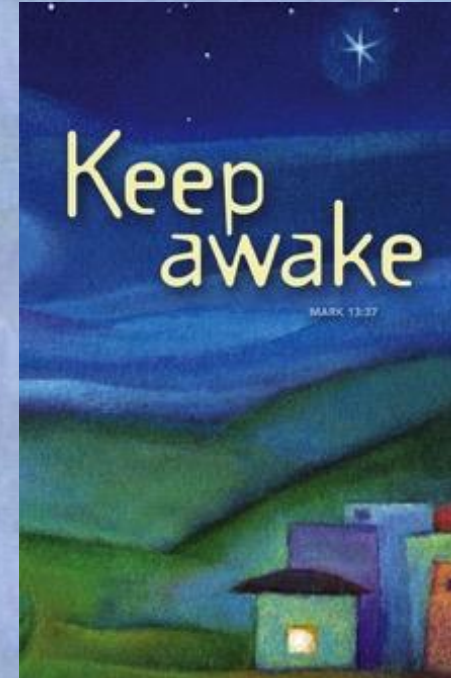
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My Lord, what a morning;  
my Lord, what a morning;  
oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.

3 You will hear the Christian shout,  
to wake the nations underground,  
looking to my God's right hand,  
when the stars begin to fall.

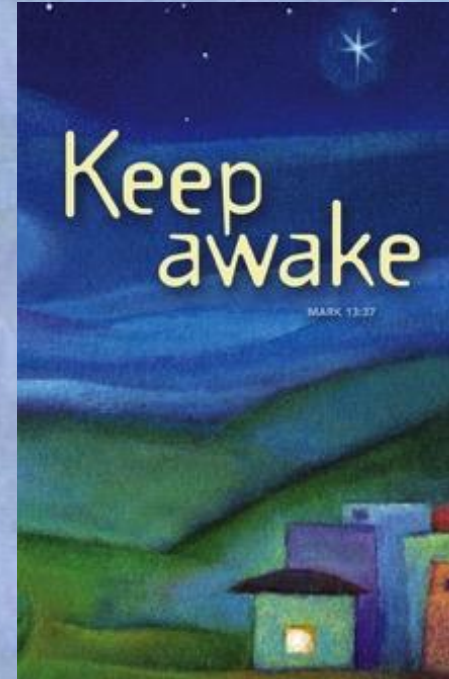


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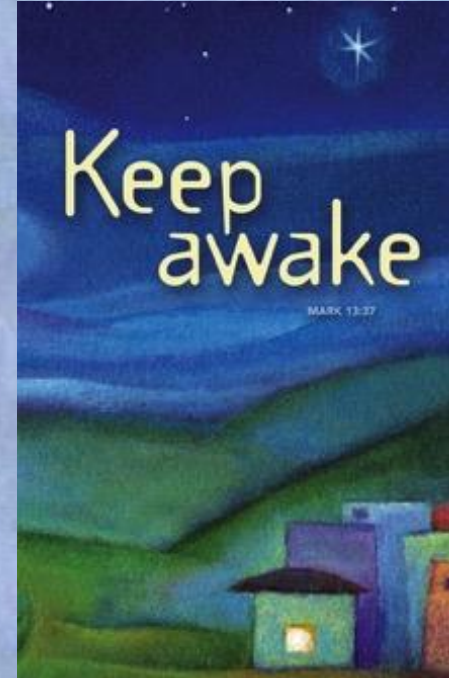
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oh, my Lord, what a morning,  
when the stars begin to fall.



# Apostles' Creed

We are made God's people through our Baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we confess our faith.

**I believe in God, the Father  
almighty, creator of heaven and  
earth.**



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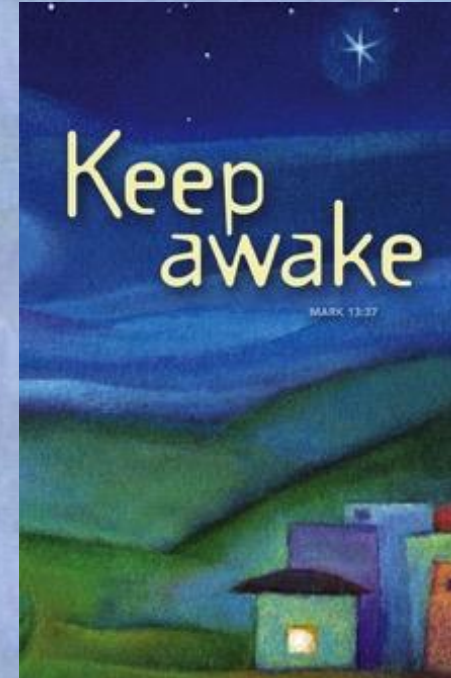
# Apostles' Creed

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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# Apostles' Creed

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**



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# Immanuel Lutheran Prayer Concerns



- Members – **Connie Schlesinger** (*recovering from surgery*); **Ruppert family** at the death of Will Ruppert (*Connie Schlesinger's father*), **Cindy Schlesinger**, **Fountain Neal**
- Friends & Family – the **Montavon family** at the death of Jeffrey; **Ron Yenerich** (*Connie Williams' brother*); **Hannah York** (*LuAnn Kromm's niece*) **Robert Hornung** (*LuAnn Kromm's brother*)
- *First Baptist Church of Sutherland Springs, TX and all the families who lost loved ones in the shooting there.*
- Our Leaders - *ELCA Bishop - Elizabeth Eaton; NIS Bishop - Jeffrey Clements; Heart of Illinois Lutheran Parish Pastor Jeff Schlesinger*

*Are there additional prayer requests?*



# Prayers of Intercession

Guided by the light of Christ, let us pray for the coming dawn of joy, healing, and comfort for all God's people.

*Each petition concludes:*

Lord in your mercy,  
**hear our prayer.**

We raise our prayers to you, O God, in the name of the one who is, who was, and who is to come, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**Amen.**

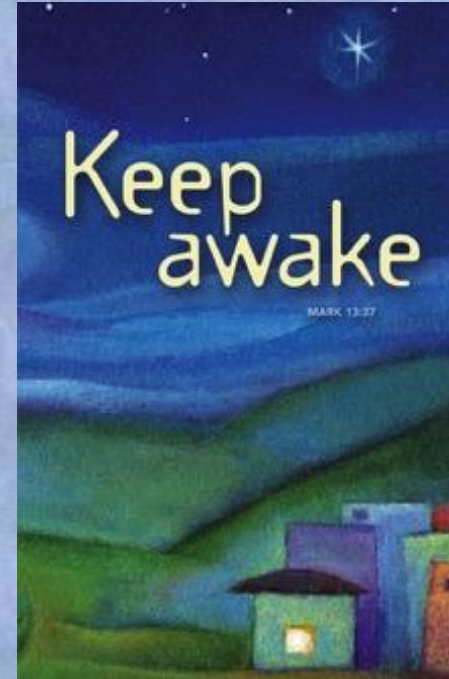
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# Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you  
always.

**And also with you.**

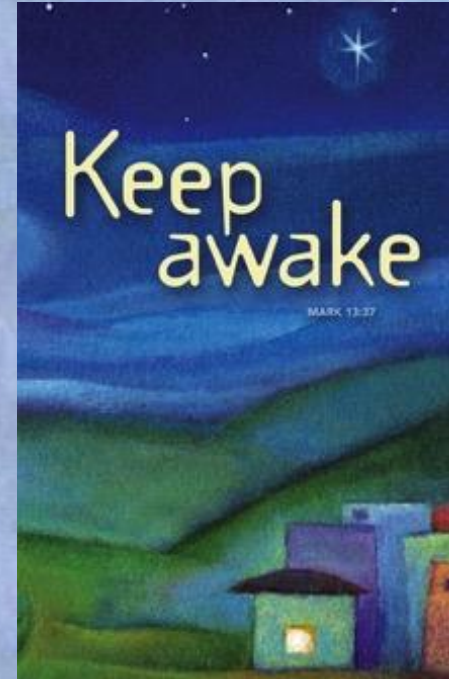
*Please turn to those around you and  
share a sign of God's peace.*



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# Offering

*We respond to God's grace by offering what God has first given us so that the good news of Jesus may continue to be proclaimed through the ministries of Immanuel Lutheran Church. **Thank you** for your generous response.*



# **Offering Song** – *“Come Now, O Prince of Peace”* *ELW 247 (v. 1,4)*

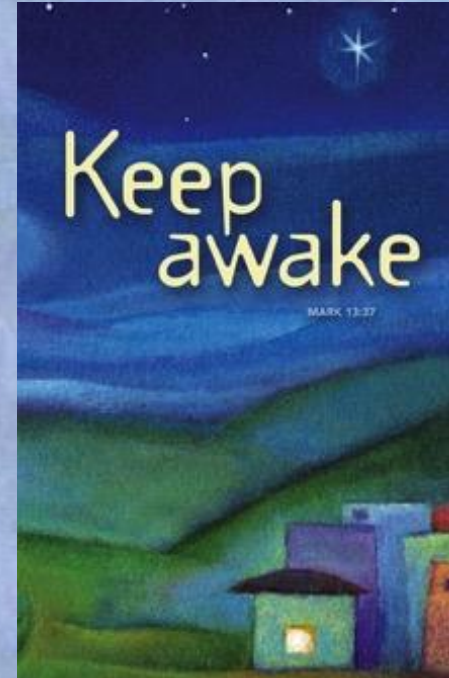
*please join in singing...*

**Come now, O Prince of peace, make us one body.**

**Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile your people.**

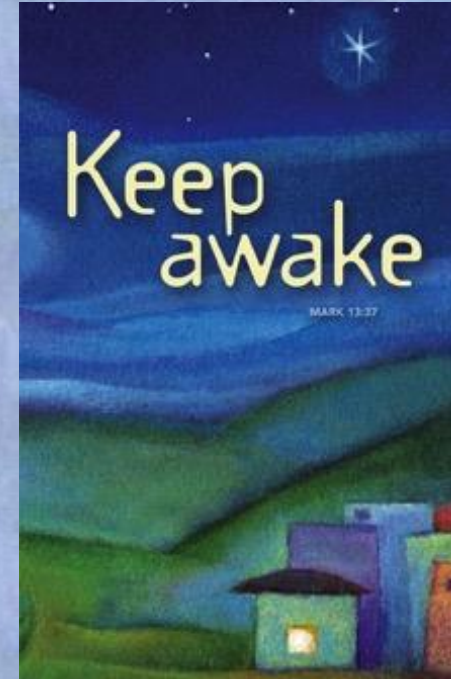
**Come, Hope of unity, make us one body.**

**Come, O Lord Jesus, reconcile all nations.**



# Offering Prayer

Let us pray. Savior of the nations, come.  
**Make your home here in us. Feed  
us with your love, that our faith  
shine ever new and our lives  
reveal your light. Amen.**



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# Communion

The Lord be with you.

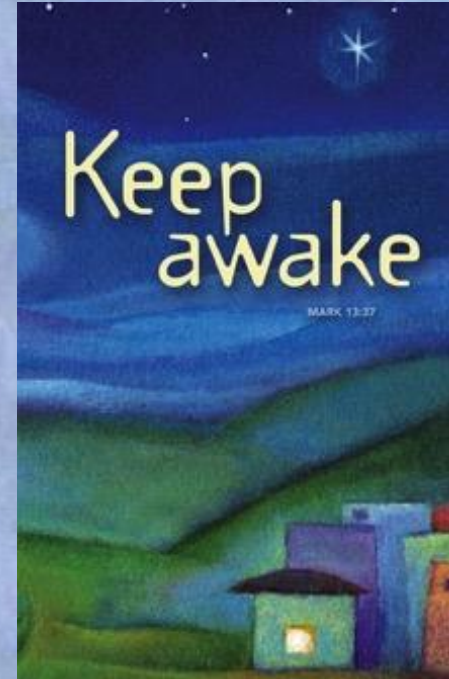
**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give our thanks and  
praise.**

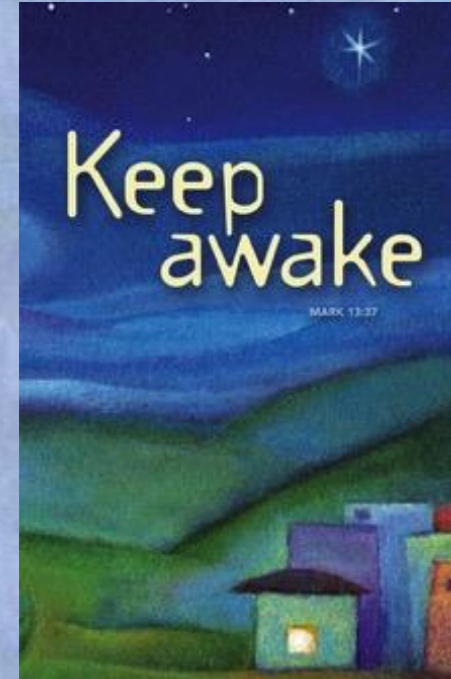


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# Communion

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

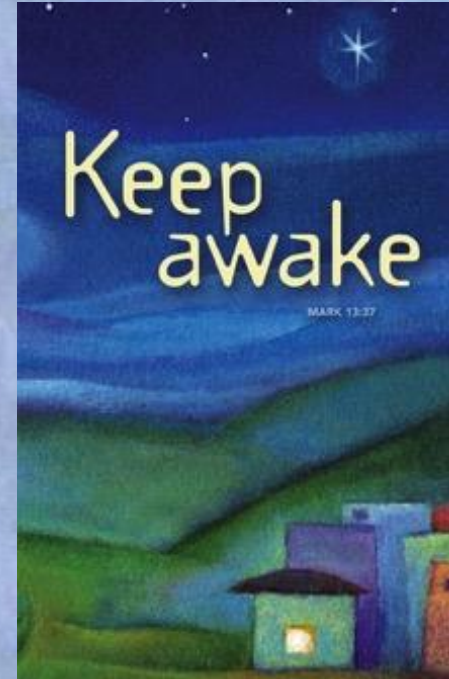


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# Communion

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.



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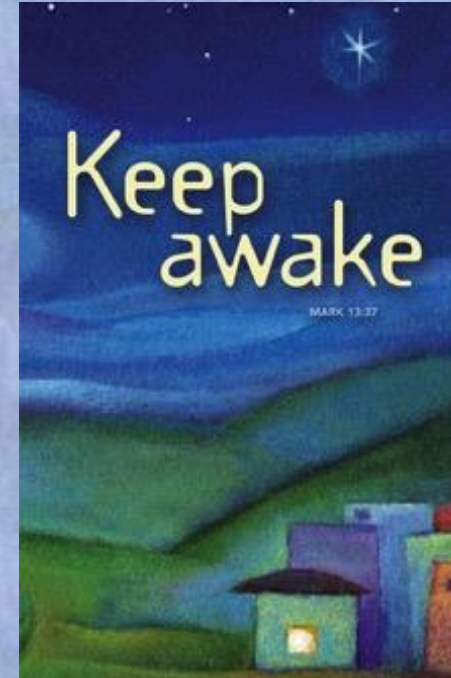


# Communion

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

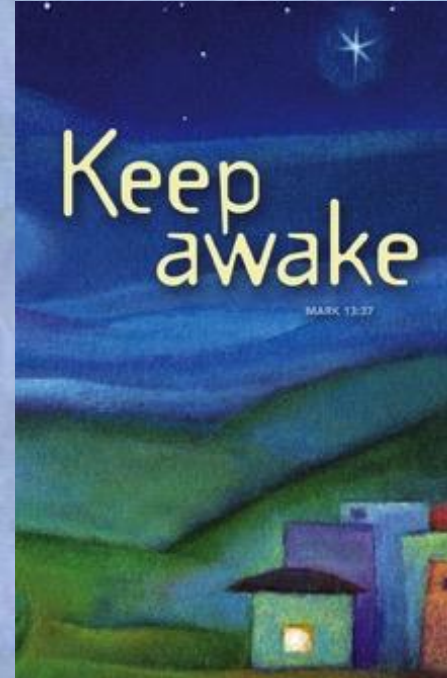
**Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever.  
Amen.**



# Communion

The table is set. The gifts are ready. Come and receive God's grace.

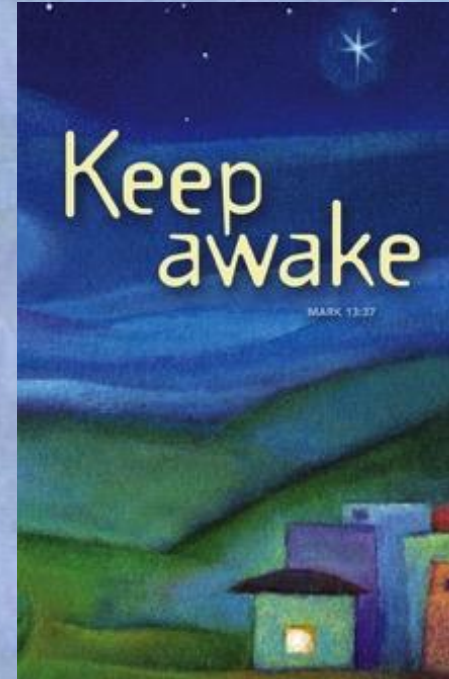


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# Communion Distribution

*As we receive the bread and cup today,  
we receive grace upon grace from  
Jesus: forgiveness, new life and  
salvation.*

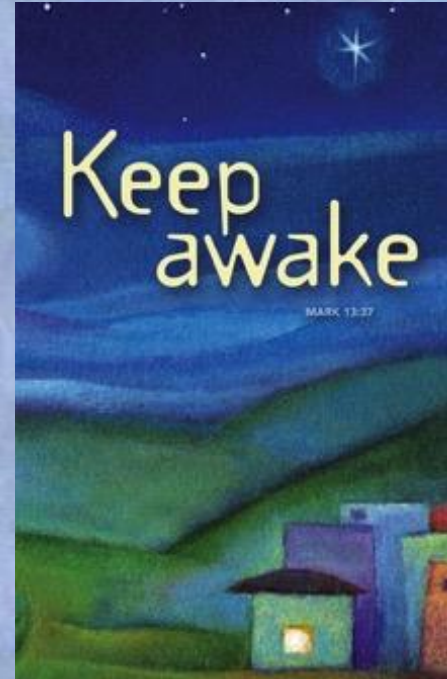
*Come and hold your hands out and  
receive God's goodness with the holy  
word of thanks: "**Amen!**"*



# Communion Blessing

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, which you have now received, strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

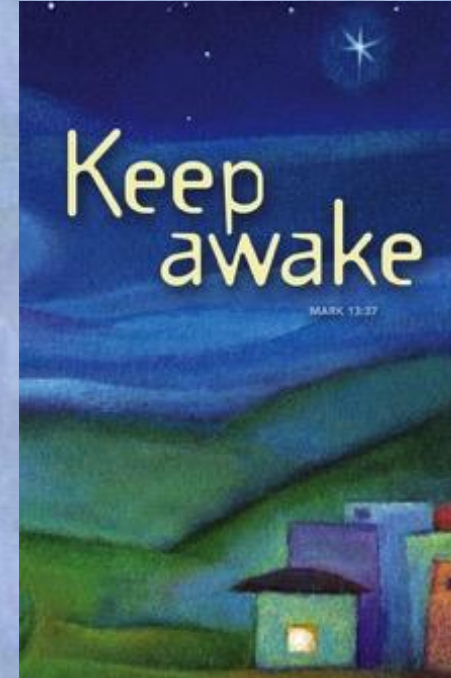
**Amen.**



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# Prayer after Communion

Let us pray. God for whom we wait,  
**you come to us in the broken bread  
and the cup we share. Make us ready  
always to welcome Christ into our  
hearts, and send us forth to be your  
people in the world, announcing your  
coming among us in Jesus Christ our  
Lord. Amen.**



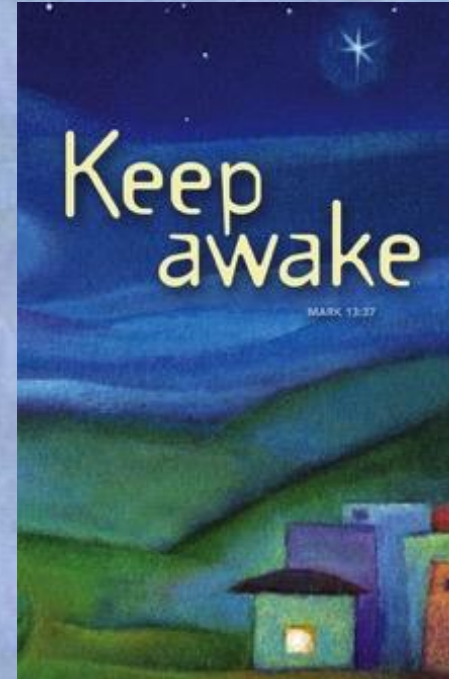
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# Communion Song – *ELW 561 v. 3*

*Please join in singing:*

**You who made the heaven's splendor,  
ev'ry dancing star of night,  
make us shine with gentle justice,  
let us each reflect your light.**

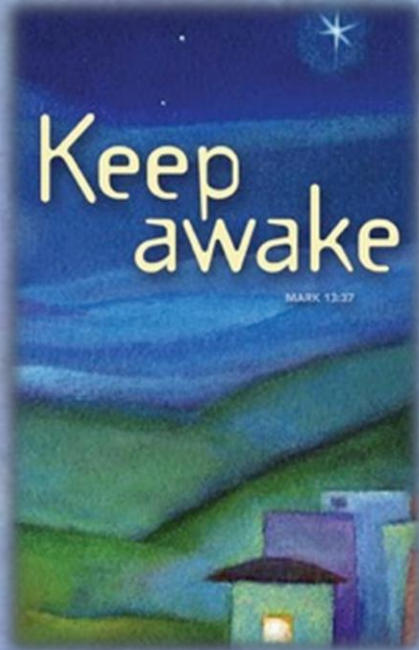
**Mighty God of all creation,  
gentle Christ who lights our way,  
loving Spirit of salvation,  
lead us on to endless day.**



# Announcements - *Upcoming Activities*

- **Sunday 12/3/17** – Confirmation @ Immanuel, 6:30 p.m.
- **Wednesday 12/6/17** –
  - 1:30 p.m. – WELCA Bible Study @ Immanuel
  - 6:30 p.m. - “The Christmasless Gospels” Bible Study @ First
- **Friday 12/8/17** – Bible Study, 9:00 a.m.@ Immanuel
- **Sunday 12/10/17**
  - 8:30 a.m. – Worship @ Immanuel
  - 9:45 a.m. – Sunday School
  - 10:30 a.m. – Worship @ First
  - 3:30 p.m. - “The Christmasless Gospels” Bible Study @ Immanuel
  - 6:00 p.m. – LYO

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*December 3, 2017*

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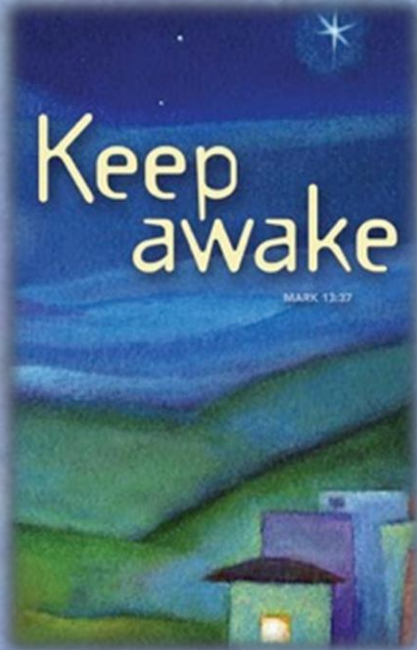
### Advent Tree



- *Purchase an ornament for your tree or for a loved one*
- *Each ornament purchased provides a meal for a family in Romania*



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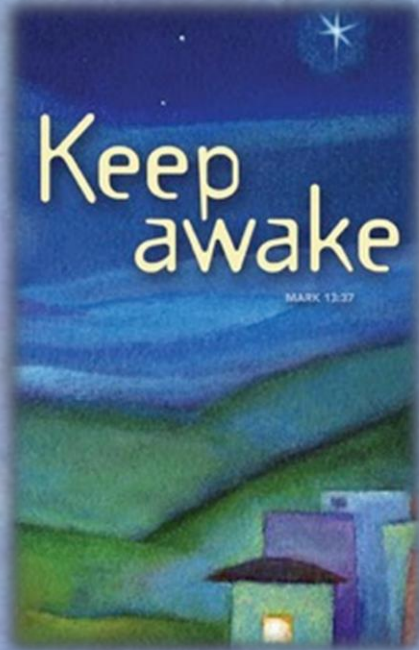
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### Noisy Offering

During Advent and Christmas there will be a special “noisy offering.” It will go to offset costs of the Christmas boxes and meals we are providing for families in Romania through Another Child Foundation.

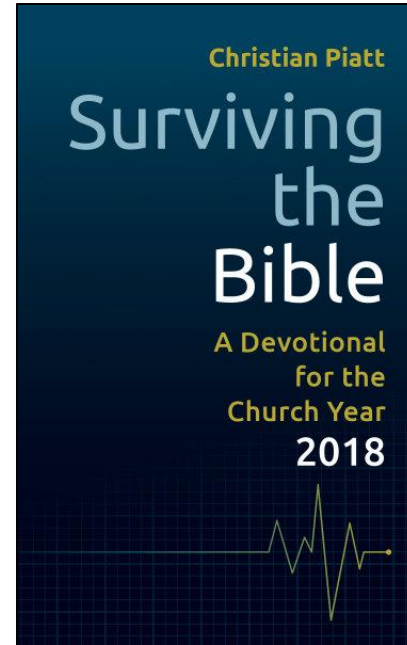


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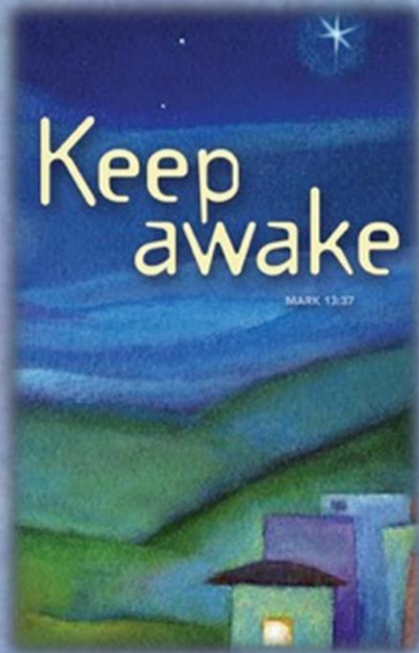
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**Order your  
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*Sign up in the  
overflow*

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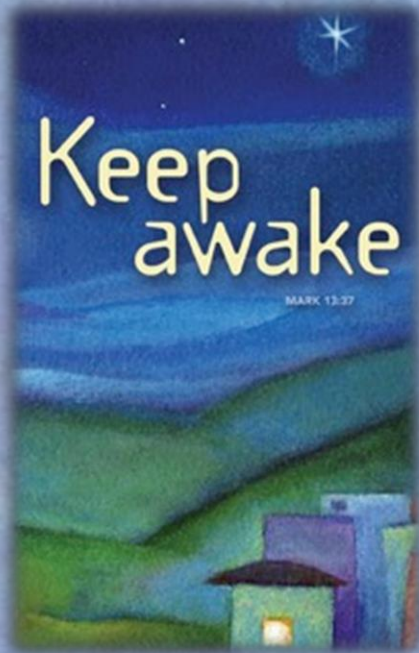
Advent Bible Study  
**The Christmasless  
Gospels**

***Wednesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>***  
6:30 p.m. @ First

***Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>***  
3:30 p.m. @ Immanuel

***Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup>***  
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**Breakfast in Bethlehem**

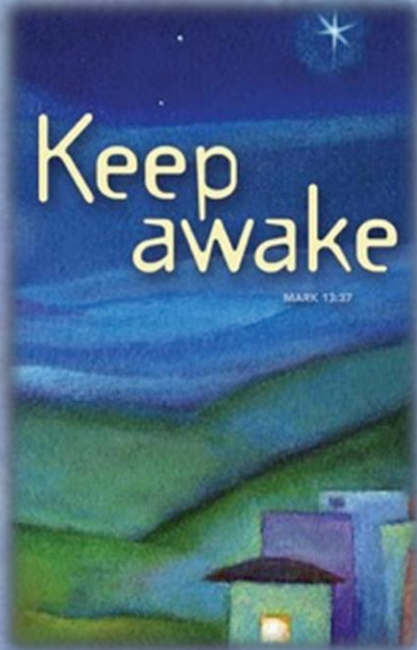


***Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>***

**9 a.m. – 11 a.m.**

**@ Immanuel**

# Immanuel Lutheran Church



*December 3, 2017*

## Announcements

### 2017 Christmas Schedule

#### ***Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>***

Advent Lessons & Carols

*8:30 a.m. – Immanuel*

*10:30 a.m. – First*

Christmas Eve Worship

*7:00 p.m. – Immanuel*

*9:00 p.m. – First*

#### ***Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup>***

Christmas Day Worship

*10:00 a.m. - Immanuel*

# Benediction

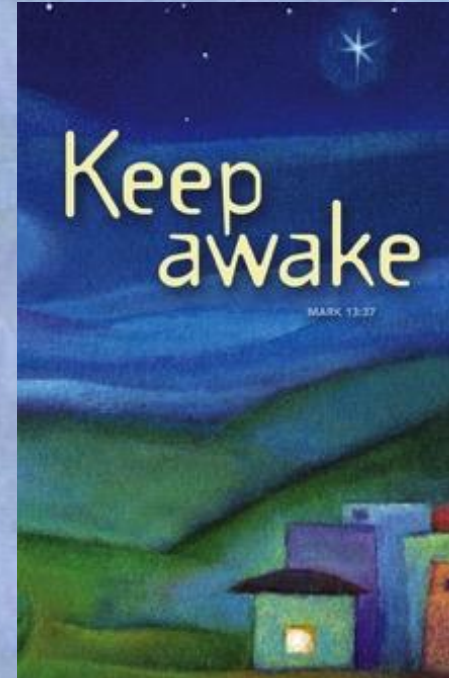
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace  
and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and  
give you peace.

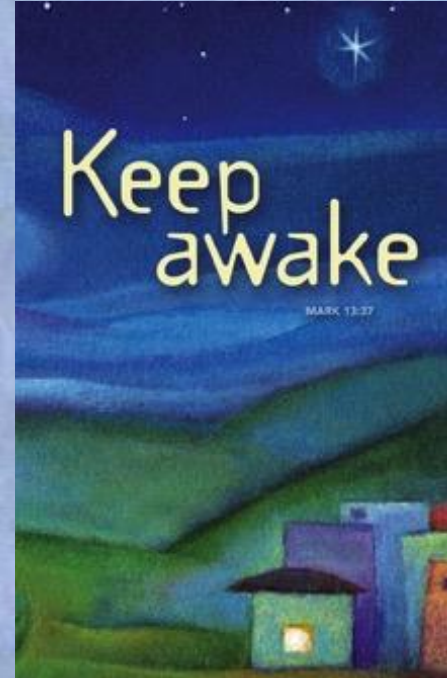
In the name of the Father, and ✝ of the  
Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**



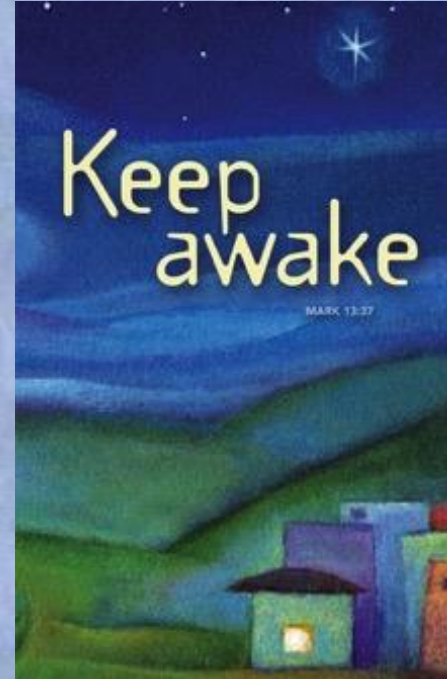
# Sending Song – “Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding” *ELW 246*

- 1 Hark! a thrilling voice is sounding!  
"Christ is near," we hear it say.  
"Cast away the works of darkness,  
all you children of the day!"



# **Sending Song** – “Hark! A Thrilling Voice is Sounding” *ELW 246*

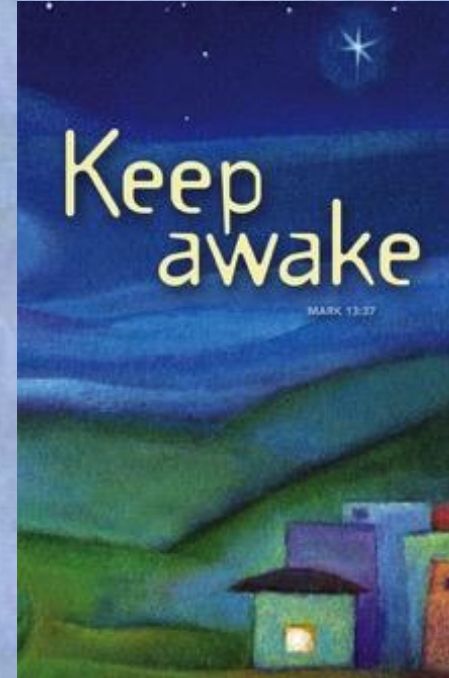
2 Wakened by the solemn warning,  
from earth's bondage let us rise;  
Christ, our sun, all sloth dispelling,  
shines upon the morning skies.





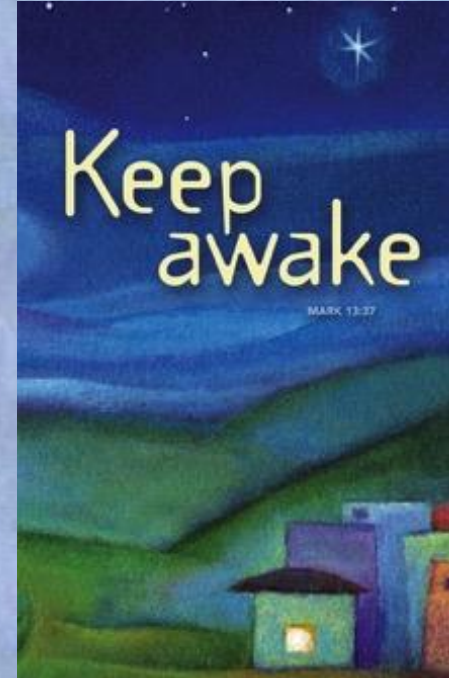
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- 3 See the Lamb, so long expected,  
come with pardon down from heav'n.  
Let us haste, with tears of sorrow,  
one and all, to be forgiv'n;



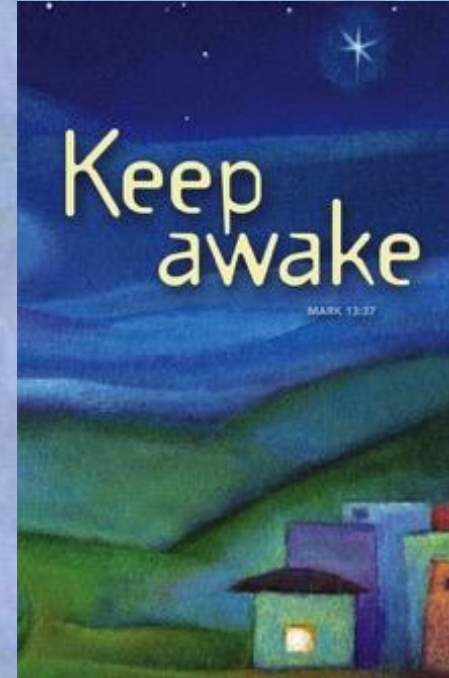
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4 So, when next he comes in glory  
and the world is wrapped in fear,  
he will shield us with his mercy  
and with words of love draw near.



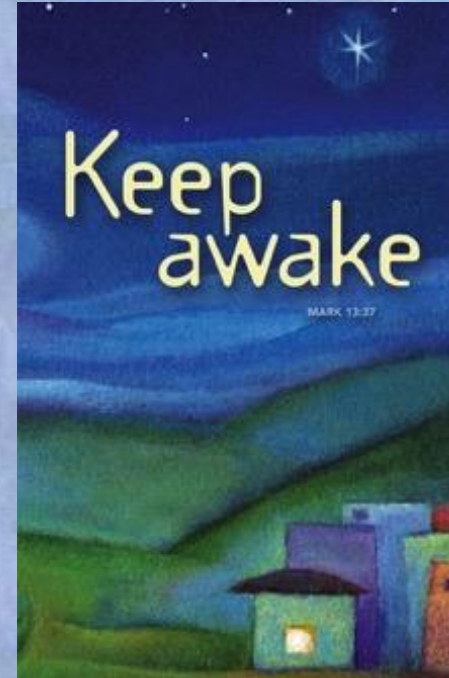
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5 Honor, glory, might, and blessing  
to the Father and the Son  
with the everlasting Spirit  
while unending ages run!



# Dismissal

Go in peace. Serve the Lord!  
**Thanks be to God!**



*Worship leader reads* regular print, *congregation responds with* **bold print.**