

*God Almighty, You revealed Your Son in the River Jordan through the wondrous act of Baptism and the Holy Spirit descending like a dove. In this act You placed Your righteousness into Baptism, bringing to us eternal hope.
May the blessing of Baptism daily renew our hearts.*

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH 2nd Saturday after the Epiphany
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854
January 18, 2025 --- 5:30 pm ---- Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: "Jesus, Priceless Treasure" 743 vs. 1-4

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **C:** Amen.

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord.	C: <i>Who made the heavens and earth.</i>
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.	C: <i>Make haste to help me, O Lord.</i>
P: Jesus came asking to be Baptized.	C: <i>He came to John at the Jordan River.</i>
P: Jesus came to accomplish a purpose.	C: <i>He came to fulfill all righteousness.</i>
P: The heavens opened.	C: <i>The Spirit of God descended,</i>
P: The Spirit rested upon our Lord;	C: <i>The Father's voice from heaven proclaimed,</i>
P: This is My beloved Son	C: <i>In Whom I am well pleased.</i>
P: This is the day the Lord has made.	C: <i>Let us rejoice and be glad in it.</i>

Psalmody: *Psalm 128*

P: Blessed are all who fear the Lord, who walk in His ways. **C:** *You will eat the fruit of your labor; blessings and prosperity will be yours.*
P: Your wife will be like a fruitful vine within your house; **C:** *Your sons will be like olive shoots around your table.*
P: Thus is the man blessed who fears the Lord. **C:** *May the Lord bless you from Zion all the days of your life;*
P: May you see the prosperity of Jerusalem, and may you live to see your children's children. **C:** *Peace be upon Israel.*

All: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

Collect: Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** Amen.

Hymn: "From All that Dwell Below the Skies" 816

(Prefatory Remarks) **O.T. Lesson:** *Isaiah 62: 1-5* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *I Corinthians 12: 1-11*

Gospel Lesson: *John 2: 1-11* /// **Hymn:** “Come, Join in Cana’s Feast” 408

Children’s Sermon /// **Sermon** /// **Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)*

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of McKinney, Neil, Stephanie, Dylan, Sam and Hunter; McWilliams, Kim, Cindy, Warren and Morgan; and McWilliams, Sharon.

Lord’s Prayer (back of hymnal)

Confession of Sins

C: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.*

Absolution: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ, that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

Blessing of Elements /// **Distribution** /// **Hymn:** “Alleluia, Let Praises Ring” 822

Closing Collect: *Heavenly Father, You grant us Your Spirit to open our eyes and enlighten our minds to serve You and fellow believers; lead us by Your Spirit to enable us to witness of Your love, live according to Your will, bring Your Word of life to others, rejoice in the goodness You have showered upon us, and reflect Your love in how we reach out to others; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.*

Benediction

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**Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor
Karen Whitehead, Organist**

WHAT THE SCRIPTURES TEACH CONCERNING THE LORD'S SUPPER

In I Corinthians 11 the Holy Spirit led Paul to write, "This is my body" and "This cup is the new covenant in my blood" to explain the spiritual truth of the Supper: Christ is truly present in His body and blood in the bread and wine. This is a mystery, a Heavenly gift; one we can only understand in faith. Paul further says, "Therefore whoever eats the bread and drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner, shall be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord" and, "let a man examine himself...for he who eats and drinks, eats and drinks judgment to himself if he does not judge the body rightly." There is no doubt from our Lord's Word, we are receiving His body and blood. The Father offers us forgiveness, unity of faith, strengthening of faith, etc.; it is never our right, we approach His altar only by His invitation. If you are visiting we ask that you please speak with the Pastor before receiving the Lord's Supper. We strive to lovingly carry out our responsibility to ensure the supper remains a blessing for all, never a curse. May His richest blessing be upon you all.

THIS WEEK

TONIGHT: Worship 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: Worship w/HC at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am.
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation at 9:30 am, Worship 5:30 pm
Next SUNDAY: Worship at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Voter's Meeting

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Saturday, Jan 11: 39 LS: 33 ; Sunday Jan 12: 8am: 43; 10:15 am 68

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Meny, Blake and Maryeth; Meny, Bobby and Rebecca; and Meny, Margie, Faith and Eden.

2025 VOTERS MEETING: Sunday, January 26 following the 10:15 am service in the Lounge.