

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
January 13, 2024 --- 5:30 pm ---- Worship with Holy Communion**

Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: *“Now Thank We All Our God” 895*

Invocation: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. 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>

Baptism of *Janson Rodney Beaven*

Born: September 13, 2023

Parents: Shaun and Madison Beaven

Sponsors: Spenser Oxley and Logan Beaven

Baptismal Hymn: *Tune: 405*

Janson may our Lord hold you near To bring you faith to see Him clear
Enlighten now your heart each day Through His own Spirit in His way!

Janson may God transform your heart Give you His newness and a start
To walk each day in hope and love And receive blessings from above!

Janson our Lord has made you new By water and His Word it’s true
You now are bound to Him in grace And one day will be face to face!

Janson He has redeemed your soul Made you His child, He’s made you whole!
His righteousness is cov’ring you His holiness, salvation too!

Psalmody: *Psalm 139: 1-10*

P: O Lord, You have searched me and You know me. **C:** *You know when I sit and when I rise; You perceive my thoughts from afar.*

P: You discern my going out and my lying down; You are familiar with all my ways. **C:** *Before a word is on my tongue You know it completely, O Lord.*

P: You hem me in—behind and before; You have laid Your hand upon me. **C:** *Such knowledge is too wonderful for me, too lofty for me to attain.*

P: Where can I go from Your Spirit? **C:** *Where can I flee from Your presence?*

P: If I go up to the heaven, You are there; if I make my bed in the depths, You are there. **C:** *If I rise on the wings of dawn, if I settle on the far side of the sea, even there Your hand will guide me, Your right hand will hold me fast.*

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: “*Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty: 901*”

(Prefatory Remarks)

O.T. Lesson: *I Samuel 3: 1-10* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *I Corinthians 6: 12-20*

Gospel Lesson: *John 1: 43-51* /// **Hymn:** “*Spread the Reign of God the Lord*” 830

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

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Roeder, Bridget; Sanders, Myro and Sherry; and Sawyer, Tom and Joanne

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: *“The Church’s One Foundation”* 644 vs. 1-3

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
Matthew Wilson, 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.

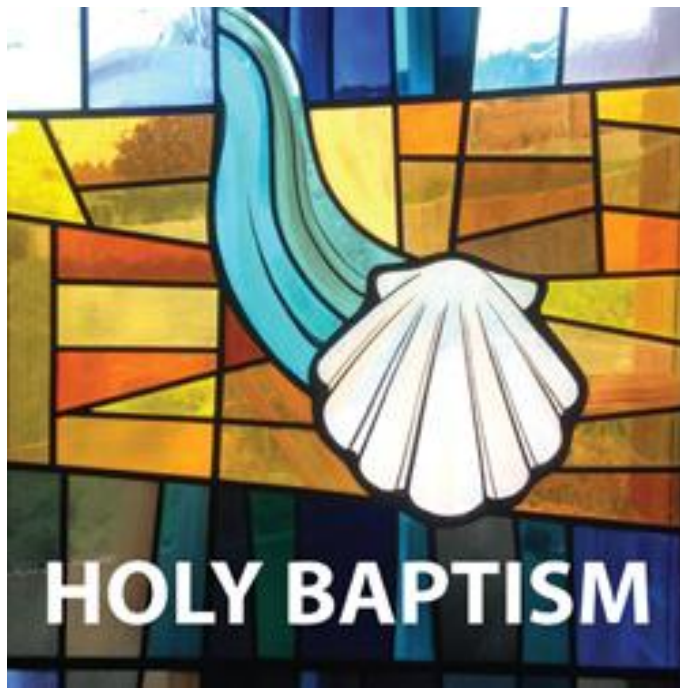
THIS WEEK

TONIGHT: Worship 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6:00 pm
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30
Next SUNDAY: Worship at w/HC 8:00 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Jan 6:45 LS: 38; Sun, Jan 7: 8am: 60 LS: 38; 10:15 am: 81
LS: 54

Member Prayer Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of Schlensker, Charlotte; Schneider, Marilyn; and Schultz, Daryl, Candy and Alex.

NOTICE FROM ELDERS: Carpets in the sanctuary and Educational building have been cleaned. In an effort to keep the carpet and the rest of the sanctuary clean, we are asking everyone to refrain from bringing food and beverages, other than water, into the sanctuary during services. We understand it may be necessary to use food as an incentive to encourage children to behave, which is fine. We just ask parents to do the best they can to clean up crumbs and other leftovers.



HOLY BAPTISM