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 Sunday after the Epiphany January 14, 2024 --- 8:00 am

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.

P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.

P: Jesus came asking to be Baptized.

P: Jesus came to accomplish a purpose.

P: The heavens opened.

P: The Spirit rested upon our Lord;

P: This is My beloved Son

P: This is the day the Lord has made.

C: *Who made the heavens and earth.*

C: *Make haste to help me, O Lord.*

C: *He came to John at the Jordan River.*

C: He came to fulfill all righteousness.

C: The Spirit of God descended,

C: The Father's voice from heaven proclaimed,

C: *In Whom I am well pleased.*

C: *Let us rejoice and be glad in* it.

Confession and Absolution: pg. 184 /// The Introit: 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.

Gloria Patri: Glory be to God the Father, Glory be to the God the Son, Glory be to God the (LSB 506) Spirit, Great Jehovah Three in One! Glory, Glory, While eternal ages run.

Kyrie: Have mercy on Your people, Lord. Have mercy Christ, Our King (LSB 733) Renew us by Your mercy, Lord; Accept the prayers we bring.

Gloria: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus; His the scepter, His the throne; Alleluia! His the triumph, (LSB 851) His the victory alone. Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion Thunder like a mighty flood: "Jesus out of ev'ry nation Has redeemed us by His blood."

P: The Lord be with you. C: And with your spirit.

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 //// **Confession of Faith:** Apostle's Creed (back of Hymnal)

Sermon Hymn: "Spread the Reign of God the Lord" 830

Children's Sermon /// Sermon /// Confessional Hymn: "In God We Believe" (802)

In God we believe: the Creator whose pow'r In mercy has brought us renewal this hour In Jesus, the Savior, our hope is secure True God and True Man once the cross He endured

God's Spirit at work in our lives we confess: With power and truth the church now He does bless As saints, God's forgiven, one day we shall then Be living in glory forever. Amen.

Offering brought to the Altar

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

Joanne

Lord's Prayer

Closing 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 Karen Whitehead, Organist

THIS WEEK

TODAY: 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:

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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.