

*Glorious Father, You revealed Your Son to the Gentile kings through the Light of a Star, may You continue to lead us to share what Your Star revealed to the world and bring many to know the salvation which He has freely given.*

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH Second Sunday after Christmas**

**Church Phone: 812-867-5088**

**January 5, 2025 --- 10:15 am ---- Worship with Holy Communion p. 184**

**Opening Prayer**      **Opening Hymn:** “*Children of the Heavenly Father*” 725

**Invocation:** pg. 184      **Introit:** *Psalm 119: 97-104*

P: Oh, how I love Your Law! **C:** *I meditate on it all day long.*

P: Your commands make me wiser than my enemies, for they are ever with me. **C:** *I have more insight than all my teachers, for I meditate on Your statutes.*

P: I have more understanding than the elders, for I obey Your precepts. **C:** *I have kept my feet from every evil path so that I might obey Your Word.*

P: I have not departed from Your laws, for You Yourself have taught me. **C:** *How sweet are Your words to my taste, sweeter than honey to my mouth!*

P: I gain understanding from Your precepts; **C:** *Therefore I hate every wrong path.*

**(Immediately follows Gloria Patri p. 186, The Kyrie p. 186, The Gloria in Excelsis p. 187)**

**Collect:** Almighty, God, You have poured into our hearts the true Light of Your incarnate Word. Grant that this Light may shine forth in our lives; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen.*

**Hymn:** “*God of Grace and God of Glory*” 850

*(Prefatory remarks)*

**O.T. Lesson:** *I Kings 3: 4-15*

**Epistle Lesson:** *Ephesians 1: 3-14*

*Please stand*      **Holy Gospel:** *Luke 2: 40-52*

**Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed p. 191 (please be seated)*

**Sermon Hymn:** “*Once in Royal David’s City*” 376 vs.1-4

**Children’s Sermon**      **Sermon**

**Installation of Officers**

## **Offering brought to the Altar**

**Prayers:** The families of Mans, Bryan and Yvonne; Mans, David, Midori and Johnathan; and Martin, Daniel, Harley, Charlee and Laine.

**Service of the Sacrament:** p. 194

### ***(Proper Preface)***

P: It is good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and arch-angels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and singing:

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**Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor**  
**Mary Burgeson, 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**

**TODAY:** Worship w/HC at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am, Installation of Officers

**TUESDAY:** Confirmation 6 pm

**THURSDAY:** Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm

**Next SATURDAY:** Worship 5:30 pm

**Next SUNDAY:** Worship at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am –

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:** Saturday, Dec 28: 54 LS: 48; Sunday, Dec 29: 8 am: 54; 10:15 am: 44

**MEMBER PRAYER LIST:** Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Martin, Don, Tracie and Piper; Mason, Jean and Bryan; and McKannan, Mary.

**THANK YOU:** *I do thank you for thinking of me at the most wonderful time of the year – Jesus' Birth. Blessings to all, Joyce Frazier.*

**INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS:** will be on January 5 at 10:15. I ask that all officers be present so we can formally install you in your position to which you have been elected.

**2025 COUNCIL MEETING:** Sunday January 12 following the 10:15 am service in the Lounge.

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