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 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany Church Phone: 812-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-1854 January 28, 2024 --- 8:00 am ---- Order of Morning Worship

**Opening Prayer** /// **Opening Hymn:** "Songs of Thankfulness and Praise" 394 vs. 1,3,5

**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 111

- P: Praise the Lord. I will extol the Lord with all my heart in the council of the upright and in the assembly. C: Great are the works of the Lord; they are pondered by all who delight in them.
- P: Glorious and majestic are His deeds, and His righteousness endures forever. C: He has caused His wonders to be remembered; the Lord is gracious and compassionate.
- P: He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever. **C:** He has shown His people the power of His works, giving them the lands of other nations.
- P: The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy. **C:** *They are steadfast for ever and ever, done in faithfulness and uprightness.*
- P: He provided redemption for His people; He ordained His covenant forever—holy and awesome is His name. **C:** *The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow His precepts have good understanding. To Him belongs eternal praise.*

**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 God, You know we live in the midst of so many dangers that in our frailty we cannot stand upright. Grant strength and protection to support us in all danger and carry us through all temptation; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with the You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **C:** *Amen*.

**Hymn:** "O God of God, O Light of Light" 810 vs. 1-3

(Prefatory Remarks)

O.T. Lesson: Deuteronomy 18: 15-20 /// Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 8: 1-13

Gospel Lesson: Mark 1: 21-28 /// Confession of Faith: Apostle's Creed

**Sermon Hymn:** "God Has Spoken by His Prophets" 583 (tune 477)

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 Schutz, Bart and Lori; Seay, Janet; and Shirley, David and Teri.

**Lord's Prayer:** pg 196 /// **Closing Hymn:** "Where Charity and Love Prevail" 845 (tune 349)

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 Matt Wilson, Organist

## **THIS WEEK**

**TODAY:** Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Voter's Meeting

TUESDAY: Confirmation 6:00 pm WEDNESDAY: Choir Practice 6 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 20: 38 LS: 34; Sun, Jan 21: 8am: 74 LS: 51; 10:15 am: 57

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**Member Prayer List:** Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of Shirley, David, Stephanie, Madalynn and Molly; Simmons, Luke, Lyndsi and Layne; and Simmons, Pauline.

**VOTER'S MEETING:** Will be Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> following the 10:15 am service. All members encouraged to attend.

THANK YOU: I would like to thank everyone for the Christmas Cards. I enjoyed receiving and reading all of them. Blessings to all, Midge Hamby

Our work is not possible without your support, so thank you for being an important part of our Tri-State Food Family. We appreciate your sacrifice to hep impact our community, and wish you all the best in the coming New Year. Happy New Year from all of us at Tri-State Food Bank!

**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.



On February 12, Joyce Frasier will be celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

Let's all celebrate with her and shower her with cards for the special day!

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