

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 5th Sunday after the Epiphany
February 4, 2024 --- 8:00 am ---- Worship with Holy Communion**

Opening Prayer **Opening Hymn:** “O God, Forsake Me Not” 731

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>

Confession and Absolution: pg. 184 /// **The Introit:** Psalm 147: 1-11

P: Praise the Lord. How good it is to sing praises to our God, how pleasant and fitting to praise Him! **C:** *The Lord builds up Jerusalem; He gathers the exiles of Israel.*

P: He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds. **C:** *He determines the number of the stars and calls them each by name.*

P: Great is our Lord and mighty in power; His understanding has no limit. **C:** *The Lord sustains the humble but casts the wicked to the ground.*

P: Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving; make music to our God on the harp. **C:** *He covers the sky with clouds; He supplies the earth with rain and makes grass grow on the hills.*

P: He provides food for the cattle and for the young ravens when they call. **C:** *His pleasure is not in the strength of the horse, nor His delight in the legs of a man; the Lord delights in those who fear Him, who put their hope in His unfailing love.*

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

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: O Lord, keep Your family the Church continually in the true faith that, relying on the hope of Your heavenly grace, we may ever be defended by Your might power; 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: *“Praise the Almighty” 797*

(Prefatory Remarks)

O.T. Lesson: *Isaiah 40: 21-31*

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Epistle Lesson: *I Corinthians 9: 16-27*

Gospel Lesson: *Mark 1: 29-39* /// **Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed (back of Hymnal)*

Sermon Hymn: *“Praise the One Who Breaks the Darkness 849*

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 Shirley, David, Stephanie, Madalynn and Molly; Simmons, Luke, Lyndsi and Layne; and Simmons, Pauline.

Lord’s Prayer: pg 196

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Blessing of Elements

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Closing Hymn: *“Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing” 528 vs. 1,3,6,7*

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

TODAY: Worship at w/HC 8:00 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am,
Un-Birthday Luncheon 11:30 am

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 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Sat, Jan 27: 32 LS: 28; Sun, Jan 28: 8am: 66; 10:15 am: 76

Member Prayer List: Next Saturday and Sunday we will be praying for the families of Smith, Paul, Tammy, Jaelin; Melissa Faw, Jimmy, Cody; and Smith Emily and Jessa; Snow, Jeff and Debbie; and Snow, Amanda, Amelia and Audrey.



On February 12, Joyce Frazier will be celebrating her 90th Birthday.

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

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IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH PART-TIME JOB OPPORTUNITY:

Immanuel Lutheran Church is looking for a Technology and Volunteer Coordinator. The position is part time. The basic roles are to research and make recommendations on keeping the church's technology services and needs up to date, implementing technology services, assisting to keep the church website and social media accounts up to date, develop and maintain an electronic data base of church members, assisting the pastor and boards with coordination of volunteer efforts, coordinating new member services, assisting shut ins and other distressed members as determined by the Congregation, and assisting the pastor with other necessary duties. Anyone interested may contact any member of the Board of Elders: Warren Korff, Mike Lousignont, John Miles, or Stu Hoffherr.