

*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. Amen!*

**IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the Epiphany  
**Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854**  
**January 22, 2023 --- 8:00 am Morning Worship**

**Opening Prayer /// Opening Hymn:** *“O God of God, O Light of Light” 810 vs. 1-3*

**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.	<b>C:</b> <i>Who made the heavens and earth.</i>
P: Make haste, O God, to deliver me.	<b>C:</b> <i>Make haste to help me, O Lord.</i>
P: Jesus came asking to be Baptized.	<b>C:</b> <i>He came to John at the Jordan River.</i>
P: Jesus came to accomplish a purpose.	<b>C:</b> <i>He came to fulfill all righteousness.</i>
P: The heavens opened.	<b>C:</b> <i>The Spirit of God descended,</i>
P: The Spirit rested upon our Lord;	<b>C:</b> <i>The Father's voice from heaven proclaimed,</i>
P: This is My beloved Son	<b>C:</b> <i>In Whom I am well pleased.</i>
P: This is the day the Lord has made.	<b>C:</b> <i>Let us rejoice and be glad in it.</i>

**Confession and Absolution:** pg. 184

**Introit:** *Psalm 27: 1-9*

P: The Lord is my light and my salvation--whom shall I fear? **C:** *The Lord is the stronghold of my life—of whom shall I be afraid?*

P: When evil men advance against me, to devour my flesh, when my enemies and my foes attack me, **C:** *They will stumble and fall.*

P: Though an army besiege me, my heart will not fear; **C:** *Though war break out against me, even then will I be confident.*

P: One thing I ask of the Lord, this is what I seek; **C:** *That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to gaze upon the beauty of the Lord and to seek Him in His temple.*

P: For in the day of trouble He will keep me safe in His dwelling; **C:** *He will hide me in the shelter of His tabernacle and set me high upon a rock.*

P: Then my head will be exalted above the enemies who surround me; **C:** *At His tabernacle will I sacrifice with shouts of joy; I will sing and make music to the Lord.*

P: Hear my voice when I call, O Lord; **C:** *Be merciful to me and answer me.*

P: My heart says of you, “Seek His face!” **C:** *Your face, Lord, I will seek.*

P: Do not hide Your face from me, do not turn Your servant away in anger; You have been my helper. **C:** *Do not reject me or forsake me, O God my Savior.*

**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:** Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; 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:** “*The People that in Darkness Sat*” 412

(*Prefatory Remarks*) **O. T. Lesson:** *Isaiah 9: 1-4* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *I Corinthians 1: 10-18*

**Holy Gospel:** *Matthew 4: 12-25*/// **Confession of Faith:** *Apostle’s Creed (Back of Hymnal)*

**Sermon Hymn:** “*O Christ, Who Called the Twelve*” 856 vs. 1-4

**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: Welte, Mark, Katie, Kade and Clay; Welte, Mike and Darlene; and  
Will, James, Lauren, Cameron, Luke, Hank and Evie.

**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**  
**Matthew Wilson, Organist**

**THIS WEEK**

**TODAY:** Worship 8 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15  
**TUESDAY:** Confirmation 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 8:00 am, SS 9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am, Voter's Meeting, Youth Group 5 pm

**WEEKLY ATTENDANCE:** Sat, Jan 14: 49 Comm:42; Sun, Jan.15 8 am: 61 Comm. 50; 10:15 am: 62, Comm. 42

**MEMBER PRAYER LIST:** Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Wilson, Krista and Hadley; Wittenbraker, Brent, Sarah, Crew, Ryker, Nash, Jett and Hattie; and Wittman, Delbert and Judy.

**MONTHLY MEETING AND EVENTS:**

**Youth Meetings:** Sunday January 29 at 5 pm  
**Thursday Bible Study** at 9:30am and 6:00 pm  
**Voter's Meeting:** Sunday, January 29 following the 10:15 service. Please make sure your Board or Committee is represented. It is important that we receive the information for each Board and Committee and that we fulfill the responsibilities we each have to uphold our constitution.

## Immanuel Lutheran Church By-Laws Changes: *Nominating Committee*

In the By-Laws of the Immanuel Lutheran Church Constitution, Article III, Subsection B states that, “A Nominating Committee of at least three voting members shall be appointed by the President of the Congregation at the April quarterly Voter’s Assembly. A slate of candidates shall be presented, if possible, to the Voter’s Assembly at the October Quarterly Meeting.”

A proposal raised by the President of the Congregation at the Voter’s Assembly of October 23, 2022 would change the By-Laws in Article III, Subsection B, governing the composition of the “Nominating Committee.” A motion passed at that Voter’s Assembly to redefine the structure of the “Nominating Committee” to “consist of all church officers and board chairs.”

Discussion at the January 8, 2023 Council meeting decided on a less cumbersome change; simply including the Board Chairs in the Nominating Committee.

The Immanuel Lutheran Church Council proposes that Article III, Subsection B will now read, “A Nominating Committee shall be appointed by the President of the Congregation at the April quarterly Voter’s Assembly. *The Nominating Committee should consist of three members appointed by the President and also include the Chairman of each of the four boards.* A slate of candidates shall be presented, if possible, to the Voter’s Assembly at the October Quarterly Meeting.” (Proposed change in *italics*.)

The Council asks that this proposal be considered by the Voter’s Assembly at the January 29, 2023 meeting.



## *Make A Joyful Noise!!!*

**We need more people to sing with us for the Lenten season.**

**We practice Wednesdays, starting February 1st, at 6pm for about an hour.**

**We have a lot of fun, and if you enjoy singing, we'd love to have you join us.**

**Any questions, please call Cheryl 812-604-9076 or talk to any member.**