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 3rd Sunday of Epiphany Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854 January 22, 2023 --- 10:15 am Order of Morning Worship p. 184 Holy Baptism

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

Invocation: pg. 184

Baptism of: *Hattie Caroline Wittenbraker*

Parents: Brent and Sarah Wittenbraker

Sponsor: *Malia Lousignont*

Baptismal Hymn: tune 595

O Hattie may our Lord bless you And guide you now in all you do To bring you grace each day you live By His own love He'll freely give.

O Hattie may our Lord embrace You in His blessings through your faith. Make you His own in righteousness A child secure in holiness!

You're baptized in the name of Christ He made you His through sacrifice. He gave you His name, love, and life To join you to His Tree of Life!

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: 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.

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

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*

(Please Rise) Holy Gospel: Matthew 4: 12-25

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

Children's Sermon Sermon

Offering

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: pg. 196 Closing Hymn: "The Church's One Foundation" 644 vs. 1-3

Closing Collect: Grant, we beseech You, Almighty God, unto Your Church Your Holy Spirit and the wisdom which comes from above, that Your Word, as becomes it, may not be bound, but have free course and be preached to the joy and edifying of Christ's holy people, that in steadfast faith we may serve You and in the confession of Your name abide unto the end; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, ever one God, world without end. **C:** *Amen.* (sung)

Benediction

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Kirk Horstmeyer, Pastor Karen Whitehead, 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 H 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.

TODAY: