

*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 5^h Saturday after the Epiphany
Church Phone: 812-867-5088 Pastor's Cell Phone: 812-760-1854
February 8, 2025 --- 5:30 pm ---- Worship with Holy Communion

Opening Prayer /// Opening Hymn: *"Lord Jesus Christ, Be Present Now" 902*

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 Baptised.	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>

Psalmody: *Psalm 138*

P: I will praise You, O Lord, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing Your praise. **C:** *I will bow down toward Your holy temple and will praise Your name for Your love and Your faithfulness, for You have exalted above all things Your name and Your word.*

P: When I called, You answered me; You made me bold and stouthearted. **C:** *May all the kings of the earth praise You, O Lord, when they hear the words of Your mouth.*

P: May they sing of the ways of the Lord, for the glory of the Lord is great. **C:** *Though the Lord is on high, He looks upon the lowly, but the proud He knows from afar.*

P: Though I walk in the midst of trouble, You preserve my life; You stretch out Your hand against the anger of my foes, with Your right hand You save me. **C:** *The Lord will fulfill His purpose for me; Your love, O Lord, endures forever--do not abandon the works of Your hands.*

All: *Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.*

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 mighty power; through 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 Himself Is Present" 907*

(Prefatory Remarks)

O.T. Lesson: *Isaiah 6: 1-8* /// **Epistle Lesson:** *1 Corinthians 14: 12b-20*

Holy Gospel: *Luke 5: 1-11* /// **Hymn:** “*O Christ, Who Called the Twelve*” 856 vs. 1-3

Children’s Sermon /// **Sermon** /// **Confession of Faith:** *Nicene Creed (back of hymnal)*

Offering brought to the Altar

Prayers: The families of Militello, KaSandra, Noah and Isabella; Mills, Scott, Jenni, Breyton, Jersey, Beckett, Jaize, Bannon, Jovie, and Baina; and Miller, Bob and Cheryl.

Lord’s Prayer (back of hymnal)

Confession of Sins

C: *Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, have mercy upon us. Forgive us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.*

Absolution: Upon this your confession, I by virtue of my office as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Admonition to Communicants: I exhort you in Christ, that you give attention to the Testament of Christ in true faith, and above all take to heart the Words with which Christ presents His body and blood to us for forgiveness. That you take note of, and give thanks for, the boundless love that He showed us when He saved us from the wrath of God, sin, death, and hell by His blood; and that you then externally receive the bread and wine, that is, His body and blood, as a guarantee and pledge. Let us then in His name, according to His command, and with His own Words administer and receive His Sacrament.

Blessing of Elements /// **Distribution** /// **Hymn:** “*Holy God, We Praise Thy Name*” 940 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
Karen Whitehead, 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

TONIGHT: Worship w/HC 5:30 pm
SUNDAY: Worship w/HC at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship w/HC 10:15 am
TUESDAY: Confirmation 6 pm
WEDNESDAY: Choir practice 6:00 pm
THURSDAY: Bible Study 9:30 am and 6 pm
Next SATURDAY: Confirmation at 9:30 am, Worship w/HC 5:30 pm
Next SUNDAY: Worship at 8 am, SS:9:10 am, Worship 10:15 am

WEEKLY ATTENDANCE: Saturday Feb 1: 40 LS: 34; Sunday Feb 2: 8am: 51 LS: 38; 10:15 am: 63 LS: 31

MEMBER PRAYER LIST: Next Sat and Sun we will be praying for the following: Moog, Mark and Darlene; Moore, Lois; and Mulkey, Chris and Susie.

RETIREEES: Mark your calendar for a fun afternoon of games & fellowship! We will meet in the lounge on Friday, February 21, 12:30 to 3:30 pm. A variety of games & light snacks will be provided. Please bring your own drink. Hope to see you there!

ORGANIST NEEDED: Immanuel is looking for an experienced organist, preferably familiar with Lutheran liturgy and order of service, to play for our 8:00 a.m. worship service. This is a paid position. I ask members of the Immanuel congregation to forward any organist prospects you may know of to Warren Korff at 812-550-7662 or wmkorff@gmail.com
May our Father in Heaven bless our search. Thank you for your assistance, Jim Bratten

THANK YOU: Matt Wilson is leaving Immanuel after 10 years plus of excellent service, His organ expertise at our services was wonderful and added joy to our worship. This is his last Sunday!

We wish Matt the best in everything and ask our Heavenly Father to bless him in his future endeavors.

If any of you wish to thank Matt, cards or notes can be left in Jim Bratten's mailbox at church and he will forward them to Matt.

ST. JOHN'S LADIES RETREAT: Bev Racine is going to St. John's Ladies Retreat, Evanston, IN, on Saturday, February 22. Registration is at 8:30 am so we need to leave from church at 7:30 am. My husband, Jerry, was baptized at St John's and my grandmother grew up there. So I have a lot of connection at St. John's. We need to RSVP a week before. Praying a bunch of you will attend. Call Bev at 812-867-2306 if you are going.

LWML Indiana District Convention: Another BIG EVENT is happening at the 4-H Center, June 26-28, 2026, our District Convention. We will need A LOT OF HELP, men and women, with the work leading up to the event. Carol Grimm from St. Paul's is the District Vice President. She will be coming to Immanuel in the near future to talk to all of us.

Praise God with Song!!!

The choir will be starting practices for Lent and Easter on Wednesday February 12th at 6pm. We are always looking for new members who like to sing, high school age on up. It's a lot of fun and great fellowship. If you are interested, please come and see if it is something you'd like to do. Questions? You can call or text Cheryl Bratten 812-604-9076.

A Reminder, you may be on camera:

The Saturday night service is livestreamed on Facebook and the Sunday 8am service is livestreamed to YouTube and on the church website. The 10:15 service is not recorded.