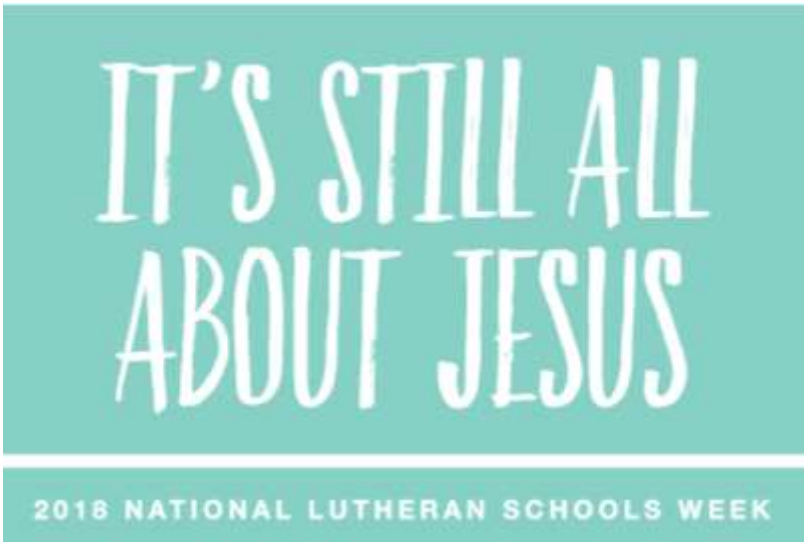




IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany
Lutheran Schools Week Sunday



Saturday, January 27, 2018 – 5:30 pm
Sunday, January 28, 2018 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

“Making more and stronger disciples of Jesus Christ
through the power of the Holy Spirit.”

Welcome to Immanuel!

Guest/Member Cards can be found in the card holder of the pew in front of you. We invite you to fill out the card and place it in the offering plate when we receive the offering. When you fill out these cards each week you make it possible for our pastors to more easily follow up with and provide pastoral care for our guests and members from week to week. If you have any questions, please let us know.

Holy Communion is distributed every Saturday evening, and at either the 7:45 am or 10:15 am service on Sunday mornings. In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ under the earthly forms of bread and wine for the forgiveness of our sins and the strengthening of our faith. Since this Holy Communion is also a sign of our common confession of the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of our Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, the lighter colored glasses in the center of the tray of individual cups contain water with a drop of wine. These special glasses allow communicants to celebrate the Lord's Supper according to Christ's institution, while only consuming a very small amount of alcohol. You are also welcome to practice intinction (dipping the edge of the host [bread] into the common cup as it passes by).

Immanuel's Saturday evening service is a bit less formal than our Sunday services. Therefore, you will notice there are no ushers, the offering plate is left in the narthex (entrance) of the church rather than being passed during service, and we have only two individuals distributing Holy Communion. On Saturday night we only use the chalice (common cup) during Holy Communion. If for health or personal reasons you cannot drink wine, you're welcome to practice intinction. Intinction involves dipping the edge of the host (bread) into the wine. In this way, the communicant receives both elements. If you have any questions, please feel free to ask the pastor before or after the service.

Worship at Immanuel is...

Multigenerational. We believe that it is a great blessing for family members to worship together. Taking seriously Jesus' words, "Let the little children come to me and so not forbid them" (Mark 10:14), we encourage children to worship with their parents and grandparents and provide resources such as children's bulletins and children's sermons.

Eclectic. Eclectic means, "selecting what seems best of various sources." We believe that we should strive to use the best hymns and practices that the church has to offer. Our worship may include hymns written 500 years ago as well as pieces written 5 months ago.

Trinitarian. We believe that the object of worship is the only true God—The Trinity: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

Christ Centered. We believe that at the heart of worship is the Good News that God has rescued us from our sins through Jesus' death on the cross and rising to life again.

*In preparation for worship we ask that you silence your cell phones and/or
paging devices. Thank you.*

*The time before service begins can be a good time to pray and prepare your
heart and mind for worship. You will find helpful prayers on the inside cover of
the hymnal located in the pew in front of you.*

Preservice Music / Bells / Welcome

*(10:15 am) **Preschool Processional**, “Allelu, Allelu” (The children will
sing the non-bold words and the congregation will sing the bold words.)*

Allelu, Allelu, Allelu, Alleluia

Praise Ye the Lord

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Opening Hymn, LSB 740, “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb”

*(10:15 am – The Preschool children will sing the 1st verse and then the
congregation will sing the other verses.)*

Please stand

Invocation

P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.

C **Amen.** (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])

Confession and Absolution

(Psalm 111:1, 4–10)

P Brothers and sisters, Psalm 111 teaches: “The fear of the Lord is
the beginning of wisdom; all those who practice it have a good
understanding.”

C **We have not practiced it perfectly.**

P Therefore, we cannot come into His presence as we are. “He
has commanded His covenant forever. Holy and awesome is His
name!”

C Because the Lord is gracious and merciful, let us go to Him, confessing our sins.

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

P "He provides food for those who fear Him; He remembers His covenant forever."

C We confess that we have not always shared our daily bread with others, O Lord, and we have failed to keep all our promises. Forgive us.

P "He has shown His people the power of His works, in giving them the inheritance of the nations."

C We confess that we have not always recognized the good gifts God has given us. Forgive us.

P "The works of His hands are faithful and just; all His precepts are trustworthy."

C We confess that the works of our hands, the words of our mouths, and the thoughts of our minds have been neither faithful nor just. We have not loved you, O Lord, with all that we are; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Forgive us.

P "They are established forever and ever, to be performed with faithfulness and uprightness."

C We confess that we have wavered in honesty. Forgive us.

P Brothers and sisters in Christ, "the Lord is gracious and merciful." Through Jesus' death and resurrection, "He sent redemption to His people." As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C Amen. "Praise the Lord! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart, in the company of the upright, in the congregation. His praise endures forever!"

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day

(Psalm 32:1-7; antiphon: Psalm 32:10)

Many are the sorrows of the wicked,

but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,

whose sin is covered.

Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

I acknowledged my sin to you, and I did not cover my iniquity;

**I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and you
forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

Therefore let everyone who is godly offer prayer to you at a time when
you may be found;

surely in the rush of great waters, they shall not reach him.

You are a hiding place for me; you preserve me from trouble;

you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.

Hymn of Praise, LSB 588, “Jesus Loves Me”

**1 Jesus loves me! This I know,
For the Bible tells me so.
Little ones to Him belong;
They are weak, but He is strong. Refrain**

*Refrain: Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
Yes, Jesus loves me!
The Bible tells me so.*

**2 Jesus loves me! He who died
Heaven’s gates to open wide.
He has washed away my sin,
Lets His little child come in. Refrain**

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

**All: 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 dangers and carry us through all temptations; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Deuteronomy 18:15-20

¹⁵“The LORD your God will raise up for you a prophet like me from among you, from your brothers—it is to him you shall listen— ¹⁶just as you desired of the LORD your God at Horeb on the day of the assembly, when you said, ‘Let me not hear again the voice of the LORD my God or see this great fire any more, lest I die.’ ¹⁷And the LORD said to me, ‘They are right in what they have spoken. ¹⁸I will raise up for them a prophet like you from among their brothers. And I will put my words in his mouth, and he shall speak to them all that I command him. ¹⁹And whoever will not listen to my words that he shall speak in my name, I myself will require it of him. ²⁰But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in my name that I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that same prophet shall die.”

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

¹Now concerning food offered to idols: we know that “all of us possess knowledge.” This “knowledge” puffs up, but love builds up. ²If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know. ³But if anyone loves God, he is known by God. ⁴Therefore, as to the eating of food offered to idols, we know that “an idol has no real existence,” and that “there is no God but one.” ⁵For although there may be so-called gods in heaven or on earth—as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”— ⁶yet for us there is one God, the Father, from whom are all things and for whom we exist, and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom are all things and through whom we exist. ⁷However, not all possess this knowledge. But some, through former association with idols, eat food as really offered to an idol, and their conscience, being weak, is defiled. ⁸Food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. ⁹But take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰For if anyone sees you who have knowledge eating in an idol’s temple, will he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? ¹¹And so by your knowledge this weak person is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. ¹²Thus, sinning against your brothers and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. ¹³Therefore, if food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.

L This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Mark 1:21-28

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 1st chapter.

C Glory to You, O Lord.

²¹And they went into Capernaum, and immediately on the Sabbath [Jesus] entered the synagogue and was teaching. ²²And they were astonished at his teaching, for he taught them as one who had authority, and not as the scribes. ²³And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ²⁴“What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God.” ²⁵But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “Be silent, and come out of him!” ²⁶And the unclean spirit, convulsing him and crying out with a loud voice, came out of him. ²⁷And they were all amazed, so that they questioned among themselves, saying, “What is this? A new teaching with authority! He commands even the unclean spirits, and they obey him.” ²⁸And at once his fame spread everywhere throughout all the surrounding region of Galilee.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

(10:15 am) **Preschool Verse Finger Play** (*Based on Matthew 22:37 for Lutheran Schools Week*)

Children’s Message (Parents of very young children may also come forward with their children.)

Hymn of the Day, LSB 842, “Son of God, Eternal Savior”

Sermon, Mark 1:21-28, “A Teacher with Authority”

Please stand

Apostles’ Creed

All: I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again

from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayer of the Church

P Let us pray for all people in their various needs, for the Church wherever it is planted, and for ourselves, gathered in worship.

Lord of the Church, whose Word is power at work for all who call out to You in faith, guide and protect clergy and lay leaders here and around the world. Give them compassionate hearts, clear minds, appropriate words, and the wisdom to use them so that the Church grows stronger in faith and closer to You and one another in love. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Heavenly Father, giver of life and health and peace, open our hearts and minds to share Your bounty with one another, among our neighbors, and through the agencies of the Church and government, with any people in need. Raise up leaders in our nation and around the world so that poverty and hunger will be lessened and health and human dignity increased. Protect and guide all who order society across the globe, and give patience and resolve to forces deployed for peace across national borders and to our military (*especially...*). Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P O Holy Spirit, who bestows precious gifts throughout the Church, open the eyes of Your people to see avenues of peace and reconciliation, paths of concord and joy. We remember our brothers and sisters who call out to You for healing of all sorts, (*especially...*). Use the talents You have placed in counselors, health-care workers, medical personnel, first responders, and all who are called to work as Your instruments of care. Grant peace, health, and comfort according to Your gracious plans. Lord, in Your mercy,

C **hear our prayer.**

P Although we in no way deserve Your gracious hearing of these our petitions, Lord, grant them for the sake of the sacrifice of

our Lord Jesus, who has promised that what we ask in His name will be heard at Your throne of grace. Lord, in Your mercy,



hear our prayer.



(Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,



hear our prayer.



Into Your hands we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy and Your promise to hear us for the sake of the One in whose name we come, Your Son, Jesus Christ.



Amen.

Please be seated

Offering (5:30 pm – Please place your offerings in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.) [10:15 am - Flute Selection (Karen Hodapp), “I Am Jesus’ Little Lamb” (Stults)]

Please stand

Response to Prayer/Offertory



C Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re -
new a right spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a -
way from Thy pres - ence, and take not Thy Ho - ly Spir - it
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va -
tion, and up - hold me with Thy free spir - it. A - men.

The 5:30 pm & 7:45 am services continue on page 9.

The 10:15 am service continues on page 10.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

Preface

- P** The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)
C **And also with you.**
P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)
C **We lift them to the Lord.**
P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)
C **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Proper Preface

- P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Sanctus

(Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9)

- C** **Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might: heaven and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, hosanna, hosanna in the Highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the Highest.**

(*Hosanna* is a Hebrew word of praise meaning “save us now.”)

The Lord’s Prayer

(Matthew 6:9-13)

- All:** **Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven; give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Words of Our Lord (Matt 26:26-28; Mk 14:22-24; Lk 22:19-20; 1 Cor 11:23-25)

The Peace of the Lord

- P** The peace of the Lord be with you always. (John 20:19)
C Amen.

Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 396, “Arise and Shine in Splendor” (7:45 am – Played by Julie Zeiger on the keyboard.)

LSB 394, “Songs of Thankfulness and Praise”

Please stand

Dismissal

- P** Now may this...Go in peace.
C Amen.

Benediction

- P** The LORD bless you and keep you. (Numbers 6:24-26)
The LORD make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
The LORD look upon you with favor and give you peace.
C Amen.

Closing Hymn, LSB 583, “God Has Spoken by His Prophets”

Bells / Postlude

The 10:15 am service continues below.

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Bells / Postlude

We invite you to take the service folder and announcements home with you as you leave today so you can see what's happening this week as well as meditate on the Scriptures, prayers, and hymns from today's service as you go through the week. You can also find helpful information on our church website: immanuelwaterloo.org.

Worship Helpers

Saturday, January 27, 2018 - 5:30 pm

Preacher/Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Howard Shive

Media - Adrianna Whelan

Pianist - Ron Jones

Acolyte - Jordyn Koch

Sunday, January 28, 2018 - 7:45 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Chuck Keller

Acolytes - Alex & Autumn Whelan

Ushers - Bill Stueve, Charles Lloyd, Kevin Whelan

Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Lector - Wayne Collmeyer

Music Director - Ann Frank

Media - Laurie Sparwasser

Sunday, January 28, 2018 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Merritt Demski

Music Director - Ann Frank

Server - Rodney Clamors

Acolytes - Kyra Drewes & Lauren Patterson

Ushers - Robert Mesnarich Jr., Pam Nagel, Don & Carol Matzenbacher

Liturgist - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Greeters - Wayne & Cathie Collmeyer

Lector - Warren Frank

Media - Lisa Clamors (with recording)

Ushers - Sunday, February 4, 2018

7:45 am - Jason & Nick Valerius, Tim Troup

10:15 am - Alan Stumpf, Ross Schrader, Paul Broske Sr.

Acolytes - Sunday, February 4, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Sarah Alu

Sunday 7:45 am - Tyler Cooley & Kyle Rusteberg

Sunday 10:15 am - Wyatt & Masson Fink

Servers - Sunday, February 4, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Chuck Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Warren Frank

Media - Sunday, February 4, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Kelley Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Pam Nagel

Sunday 10:15 am - Laurie Sparwasser (with recording)

Lectors - Sunday, February 4, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Ollney Mueller, Jr.

Sunday 10:15 am - Wayne Collmeyer

Altar Guild - Sunday, February 4, 2018

Saturday 5:30 pm - Dinah Pflasterer

Sunday 7:45 am - n/a

Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

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