

IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

The Baptism of Our Lord

First Sunday after the Epiphany



Saturday, January 8, 2022 – 5:30 pm Sunday, January 9, 2022 – 7:45 am & 10:15 am

Welcome to Immanuel!

Please turn off your cell phones and/or paging devices. Thank you!

If you are a guest, please fill out a guests' card located in the cardholder on the back of each pew and then place it in the offering plate. We look forward to meeting you!

Members, please help us love and care for one another by filling out an attendance card. Remember to include all the members of your family who are present in worship today. If you are communing, please check in the appropriate place. Thank you for filling out an Attendance-Communion card every time you attend Church.

We celebrate Holy Communion today! 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. This Holy Communion is also a sign of our shared confession of the Christian faith. If you have not communed with us before, please speak with one of our pastors before doing so.

During the communion service: If you're not able to 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, but have a very small amount of alcohol.

Worship at Immanuel is...

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.

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

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.

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 [10:15 am – Flute Selection, "The Angel Gabriel Danced," arr. J. Nishimura (Karen Hodapp)]

Bells / Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 412, "The People That in Darkness Sat"

- 1 The people that in darkness sat
 A glorious light have seen;
 The light has shined on them who long
 In shades of death have been,
 In shades of death have been.
- 2 To hail Thee, Sun of Righteousness, The gath'ring nations come; They joy as when the reapers bear Their harvest treasures home, Their harvest treasures home.
- To us a Child of hope is born,
 To us a Son is giv'n,
 And on His shoulder ever rests
 All pow'r in earth and heav'n,
 All pow'r in earth and heav'n.
- 4 His name shall be the Prince of Peace,
 The Everlasting Lord,
 The Wonderful, the Counselor,
 The God by all adored,
 The God by all adored.
- His righteous government and pow'r Shall over all extend;
 On judgment and on justice based, His reign shall have no end, His reign shall have no end.

△ 6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray,
 And make us Thine alone,
 Who with the Father ever art
 And Holy Spirit, one,
 And Holy Spirit, one.

Invocation

- In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- **C** Amen. (Matthew 28:19b; [18:20])
- With these words you are baptized into Christ and given the new birth of water and the Spirit.
- So shall we stand in faith without fear now and forever.

Confession and Absolution

- Yet even as God's people in this world, when we examine our hearts and consciences, we find that we daily struggle against our weakness and sin that so easily besets us. Therefore, let us confess our sin to God, our merciful Father.
- God our Father, though You have made us Your own possession by our Baptism into Christ, still we struggle to live as Your redeemed children in this fallen world. Therefore, we confess our sin and weakness to You and in repentance ask You to forgive our sins and grant us Your grace and strength.
- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. 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 H Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The almighty God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has given you the new birth of water and the Spirit and has forgiven you all your sins, strengthen you with His grace to life + everlasting.

C Amen.

+ Service of the Word +

Introit of the Day (Psalm 2:7-11, 12c; antiphon: Isaiah 42:1a) Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

I will tell of the decree:

The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession.

You shall break them with a rod of iron and dash them in pieces like a potter's vessel."

Now therefore, O kings, be wise;

be warned. O rulers of the earth.

Serve the LORD with fear.

and rejoice with trembling,

for his wrath is quickly kindled.

Blessèd are all who take refuge in him.

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.

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,

my chosen, in whom my soul delights.

Hymn of Praise, LSB 384 v. 1 & 5, "Of the Father's Love Begotten"

Of the Father's love begotten
Ere the worlds began to be,
He is Alpha and Omega,
He the source, the ending He,
Of the things that are, that have been,
And that future years shall see
Evermore and evermore.

△ 5 Christ, to Thee, with God the Father,
And, O Holy Ghost, to Thee
Hymn and chant and high thanksgiving
And unending praises be,
Honor, glory, and dominion,
And eternal victory
Evermore and evermore. Amen.

Collect of the Day

P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Let us pray.

All: Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name

faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Please be seated

Old Testament Reading, Isaiah 43:1-7

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. ²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. ⁵Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you. ⁶I will say to the north, Give up, and to the south, Do not withhold; bring my sons from afar and my daughters from the end of the earth, ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Epistle, Romans 6:1-11

¹What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? ²By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? ³Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? ⁴We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. ⁵For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. ⁶We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. ⁶For one who has died has been set free from sin. ⁶Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. ⁶We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. ¹oFor the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. ¹¹So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand

Holy Gospel, Luke 3:15-22

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 3rd chapter.

Glory to You, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ¹⁸So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. ¹⁹But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, ²⁰added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison. ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to You, O Christ.

Please be seated

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

Hymn of the Day, *LSB* 405, "To Jordan's River Came Our Lord" Text: ⊚ 1993 James P. Tiefel. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

- 1 To Jordan's river came our Lord, The Christ, whom heav'nly hosts adored, The God from God, the Light from Light, The Lord of glory, pow'r, and might.
- 2 The Savior came to be baptized— The Son of God in flesh disguised— To stand beneath the Father's will And all His righteousness fulfill.
- 3 As Jesus in the Jordan stood And John baptized the Lamb of God, The Holy Spirit, heav'nly dove, Descended on Him from above.

- 4 Then from God's throne with thund'rous sound Came God's own voice with words profound: "This is My Son," was His decree, "The one I love, who pleases Me."
- 5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight Anointed Christ in glorious sight As God's own choice, from Adam's fall To save the world and free us all.
- 6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute; This man is Christ, our substitute! He was baptized in Jordan's stream, Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

Sermon, Luke 3:21-22, "Christ's Commitment"

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

- Gracious and merciful God, as the heavens were opened at the Baptism of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, so You have opened the very heavens to us as Your baptized people. Give to us the confidence of faith and the power of Your love that we may live as Your children even now amid the changes of this fallen world, ever rejoicing in Your constant mercy and grace. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Grant Your constant blessing upon Your whole Church. Give wisdom and confidence to all pastors and servants of Your Word

and faithfulness and love to all Your people that Your truth may sound forth and prevail in our lives and through our service in the world. Lord, in Your mercy,

- C hear our prayer.
- Preserve our nation in the ways of righteousness and peace. Guide the leaders of all nations to pursue justice and peace. Guard and protect all who serve in the armed forces of our country, [especially...], and all who protect us in our land. Grant to all faithfulness in their service. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Comfort and help all who are in sorrow, need, sickness, or adversity, [especially...]. Have mercy on all to whom death draws near, [especially...]. Sustain and bless all who care for those who suffer. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **C** hear our prayer.
- **P** (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Offering (During our Saturday evening service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.) [10:15 am – Flute Selection, "Weaving Greensleeves," arr. J. Nishimura (Karen Hodapp)]

Offertory, *LSB* 806, "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart" Text: © 1978 Integrity's Hosanna! Music. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks to the Holy One, Give thanks because He's given Jesus Christ His Son. (Repeat once)

And now let the weak say "I am strong,"
Let the poor say "I am rich,"
Because of what the Lord has done for us. (Repeat once)

Give thanks, give thanks.

+ Service of the Sacrament +

In this Supper of our Lord we receive the true body and blood of 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 how we commonly confess the Christian faith, we welcome to the Lord's Table those who are confirmed members of congregations of The Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod.

Preface

P The Lord be with you. (2 Timothy 4:22)

C And also with you.

P Lift up your hearts. (Colossians 3:1)

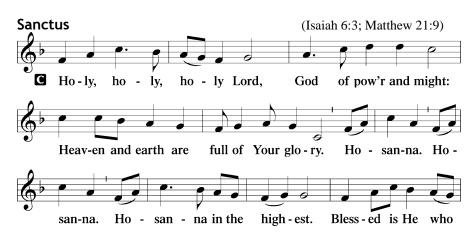
C We lift them to the Lord.

P Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. (Psalm 136)

It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

Proper Preface

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:





comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

(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)

Pax Domini (John 20:19)

P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C Amen.

Please be seated

Distribution Hymns

LSB 409, "Hail, O Source of Every Blessing"

- 1 Hail, O Source of ev'ry blessing,
 Father of our human race!
 Gentiles now, Your grace possessing,
 In Your courts obtain a place.
 Grateful now, we fall before You,
 In Your Church rejoice to live,
 See Your glory and adore You,
 Thankful for the grace You give.
- Once far off but now invited, We approach Your sacred throne, In Your covenant united, Reconciled, redeemed, made one. Now revealed to eastern sages, See the Star of Mercy shine,

Myst'ry hid in former ages, Myst'ry great of love divine.

3 Hail, O all-inviting Savior!
Gentiles now their off'rings bring,
In Your temples seek Your favor,
Jesus Christ, our Lord and King.
May we, body, soul, and spirit,
Live devoted to Your praise,
Glorious realms of bliss inherit,
Grateful anthems ever raise.

LSB 622, "Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared"

- Lord Jesus Christ, You have prepared
 This feast for our salvation;

 It is Your body and Your blood,
 And at Your invitation

 As weary souls, with sin oppressed,
 We come to You for needed rest,
 For comfort, and for pardon.
- 2 Although You did to heav'n ascend,
 Where angel hosts are dwelling,
 And in Your presence they behold
 Your glory, all excelling,
 And though Your people shall not see
 Your glory and Your majesty
 Till dawns the judgment morning,
- 3 Yet, Savior, You are not confined
 To any habitation;
 But You are present even now
 Here with Your congregation.
 Firm as a rock this truth shall stand,
 Unmoved by any daring hand
 Or subtle craft and cunning.
- 4 We eat this bread and drink this cup, Your precious Word believing That Your true body and Your blood Our lips are here receiving.

This Word remains forever true; All things are possible with You, For You are Lord Almighty.

- 5 Though reason cannot understand,
 Yet faith this truth embraces:
 Your body, Lord, is even now
 At once in many places.
 I leave to You how this can be;
 Your Word alone suffices me;
 I trust its truth unfailing.
- 6 Lord, I believe what You have said;
 Help me when doubts assail me.
 Remember that I am but dust,
 And let my faith not fail me.
 Your supper in this vale of tears
 Refreshes me and stills my fears
 And is my priceless treasure.
- 7 Grant that we worthily receive
 Your supper, Lord, our Savior,
 And, truly grieving for our sins,
 May prove by our behavior
 That we are thankful for Your grace
 And day by day may run our race,
 In holiness increasing.
- 8 For Your consoling supper, Lord,
 Be praised throughout all ages!
 Preserve it, for in ev'ry place
 The world against it rages.
 Grant that this sacrament may be
 A blessèd comfort unto me
 When living and when dying.

Please stand

Dismissal

P Now may this... Go in peace.

C Amen.

Post-Communion Collect

P Let us pray.

Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

Benediction (Numbers 6:24-26)

P The LORD bless you and keep you.

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* 922, "Go, My Children, with My Blessing" Text: ⊚ 1983 Concordia Publishing House. Used by permission: LSB Hymn License no. 110001526

1 Go, My children, with My blessing,
Never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you;
You are My own.
In My love's baptismal river
I have made you Mine forever.
Go, My children, with My blessing—
You are My own.

2 Go, My children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.
Here you learned how much I love you,
What I can cure.
Here you heard My dear Son's story;
Here you touched Him, saw His glory.
Go, My children, sins forgiven,
At peace and pure.

 Go, My children, fed and nourished, Closer to Me;
 Grow in love and love by serving, Joyful and free.

Here My Spirit's power filled you; Here His tender comfort stilled vou. Go, My children, fed and nourished, Joyful and free.

4 I the Lord will bless and keep you And give you peace: I the Lord will smile upon you And give you peace: I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter, and Brother. Go, My children; I will keep you And give you peace.

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 8, 2022 - 5:30 pm

Preacher/Celebrant - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Greg Wiegand

Sunday, January 9, 2022 - 7:45 am Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup

Server - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Ava Hemmer & Charli Major Ushers - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer

Sunday, January 9, 2022 - 10:15 am

Preacher - Rev. Dr. Tony Troup Music Director - Ann Frank

Acolytes - Avda Eggemeyer & Jeriah Fink

Media/Facebook Live - Lisa Clamors

Ushers - Sunday, January 16, 2022

7:45 am - Lee Eggemeyer, Adam Eggemeyer

10:15 am - Larry Goessling, Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison

Acolytes - Sunday, January 16, 2022

Saturday 5:30 pm - Trinity Drewes & Gwen Wiegand Sunday 7:45 am - Ashlyn Whelan & Carson Filipiak

Sunday 10:15 am - Zachary & Danny Bundenthal

Servers - Sunday, January 16, 2022 Saturday 5:30 pm - Chuck Keller

Sunday 7:45 am - Warren Frank

Sunday 10:15 am - n/a

Organist - Joan Ruwald Acolyte - Jensyn Collmeyer

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Lector - Don Birrittier Music Director - Ann Frank

Celebrant - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Dean Harbison Lector - Bob Polansky

Ushers - Alan Stumpf, Ian Schrader, Paul Broske Sr., Tom McDaniel

Lectors - Sunday, Jan 16, 2022

Saturday 5:30 pm - n/a

Sunday 7:45 am - Warren Frank Sunday 10:15 am - n/a

Altar Guild - Sunday, Jan 16, 2022 Saturday 5:30 pm - Diana Heins

Sunday 7:45 am - Sandy Thompson Sunday 10:15 am - Linda Gutknecht

National Lutheran Schools Week



The Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod Immanuel Lutheran Church Waterloo, Illinois January 23–30, 2022 Col. 1:15-20

Preschool and Day School Alumni Needed

In honor of **Lutheran Schools Week** in January, the Preschool staff, students, and alumni are working with Ann to create a music video and art show featuring current students <u>and alumni</u>. If you are an Immanuel Preschool or Day School Alumni, we need your help! If you no longer live in the area – No Problem! There are several ways that you can participate.

We want to keep parts of the program a surprise for our congregation so please contact one of the following for more details.

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Lisa Clamors (618-719-4954 or immanuelwaterloo@gmail.com)
Ann Frank (314-346-7413)

If you know of someone who went to Immanuel preschool or day school, please forward this information to them. We would love a large turnout both virtually and in person.

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