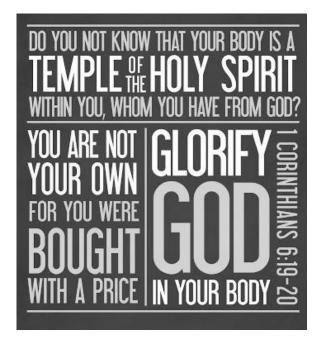


# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

## **Second Sunday after the Epiphany**



Saturday, January 13, 2024 – 5:30 p.m. Sunday, January 14, 2024 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

#### 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.

## Divine Service, Setting One

(Lutheran Service Book, pg. 151)

#### Preservice Music

**Bells** 

Welcome

Opening Hymn, LSB 901, "Open Now Thy Gates of Beauty"

Please stand

#### Invocation

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

(1 John 1:8-9)

- If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.
- But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

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

- **P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.
- 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, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew 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.
- 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 + Son and of the Holy Spirit. (John 20:19-23)
- C Amen.

#### + Service of the Word +

#### Introit of the Day

(Psalm 40:1-5; antiphon: Isaiah vv. 10a, b)

I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation;

I waited patiently for the LORD;

he inclined to me and heard my cry.

He drew me up from the pit of destruction, out of the miry bog, and set my feet upon a rock, making my steps secure.

He put a new song in my mouth, a song of praise to our God.

Many will see and fear, and put their trust in the LORD.

Blessèd is the man who makes the LORD his trust,

who does not turn to the proud, to those who go astray after a lie!

You have multiplied, O LORD my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you!

I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.

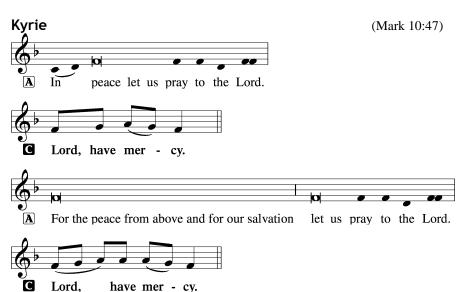
Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

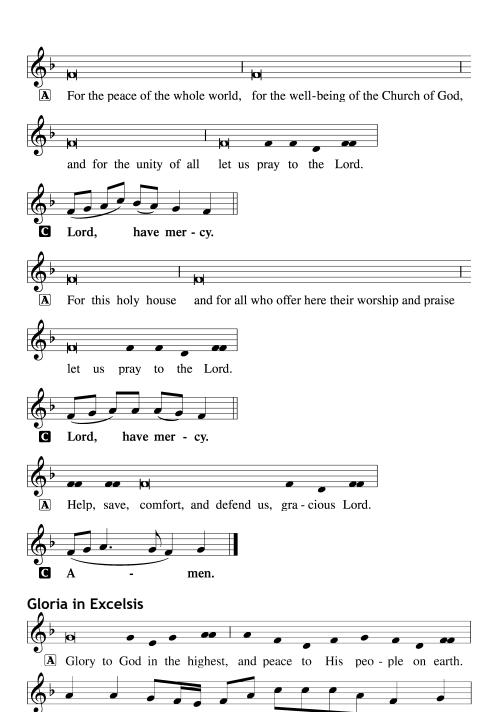
as it was in the beginning,

is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I have not hidden your deliverance within my heart;

I have spoken of your faithfulness and your salvation.





Fa - ther:

C Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and



## Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

- C And also with you.
- **P** Let us pray.
- Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, mercifully hear the prayers of Your people and grant us Your peace through all our days; 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 (10:15 a.m.) Choir Anthem, "Light Dawns on a Weary World" (D. Cherwein)

## **Old Testament Reading**, 1 Samuel 3:1-20

<sup>1</sup>The young man Samuel was ministering to the LORD under Eli. And the word of the LORD was rare in those days; there was no frequent vision. <sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his own place. <sup>3</sup>The lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the LORD, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the LORD called Samuel, and he said, "Here I am!" 5 and ran to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. 6And the LORD called again, "Samuel!" and Samuel arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." 7Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. 8And the LORD called Samuel again the third time. And he arose and went to Eli and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the young man. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down, and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant hears." So Samuel went and lay down in his place. <sup>10</sup>And the LORD came and stood, calling as at other times, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant hears." 11Then the LORD said to Samuel, "Behold, I am about to do a thing in Israel at which the two ears of everyone who hears it will tingle. <sup>12</sup>On that day I will fulfill against Eli all that I have spoken concerning his house, from beginning to end. <sup>13</sup>And I declare to him that I am about to punish his house forever, for the iniquity that he knew, because his sons were blaspheming God, and he did not restrain them. <sup>14</sup>Therefore I swear to the house of Eli that the iniquity of Eli's house shall not be atoned for by sacrifice or offering forever." <sup>15</sup>Samuel lay until morning; then he opened the doors of the house of the LORD. And Samuel was afraid to tell the vision to Eli. <sup>16</sup>But Eli called Samuel and said, "Samuel, my son." And he said, "Here I am." <sup>17</sup>And Eli said, "What was it that he told you? Do not hide it from me. May God do so to you and more also if you hide anything from me of all that he told you." <sup>18</sup>So Samuel told him everything and hid nothing from him. And he said, "It is the LORD. Let him do what seems good to him." <sup>19</sup>And Samuel grew, and the LORD was with him and let none of his words fall to the ground. 20 And all Israel from Dan to Beersheba knew that Samuel was established as a prophet of the LORD.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

(10:15 a.m.) **Choir Anthem,** "Let Light Shine Out of Darkness" (J. Behnke)

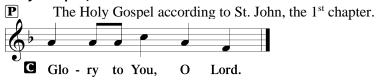
### **Epistle,** 1 Corinthians 6:12-20

<sup>12</sup> All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. <sup>13</sup> Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. <sup>14</sup>And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. <sup>15</sup>Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! <sup>16</sup>Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." <sup>17</sup>But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. <sup>18</sup>Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. <sup>19</sup>Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, <sup>20</sup>for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

- **L** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

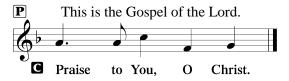


## Holy Gospel, John 1:43-51



<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the Law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called"

you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending on the Son of Man."



Please be seated

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

**Hymn of the Day,** *LSB* 402, "The Only Son from Heaven"

#### Sermon

Please stand

## **Apostles' Creed**

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  $\pm$  everlasting. Amen.

## Prayer of the Church

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

- Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.
- (Special petitions...) Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- Into Your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we

pray, trusting in Your mercy for the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

#### C Amen.

Please be seated

**Offering** (During the Saturday service, please place your offering and attendance card in the plate in the narthex before or after the service.)



#### ■ 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**

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

**C** And also with you.

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

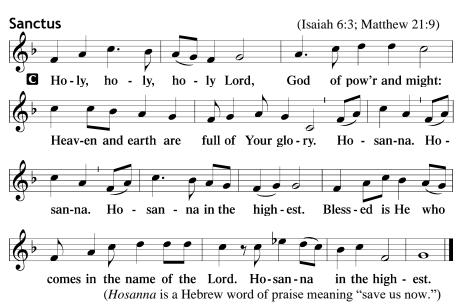
**C** We lift them to the Lord.

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:



## The Lord's Prayer

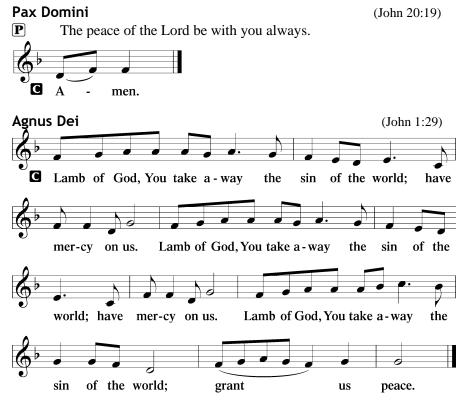
(Matthew 6:9-13)

P Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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)



Please be seated

#### Distribution

LSB 637, "Draw Near and Take the Body of the Lord" LSB 589, "Speak, O Lord, Your Servant Listens"

#### Please stand

#### Dismissal

**P** The body and blood... Go in peace.

C Amen.





**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what He has done.





He re-calls His prom-is - es and leads His peo-ple forth in joy



## **Post-Communion Collect**

P Let us pray.

O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; 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)

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 688, "Come, Follow Me,' the Savior Spake"

#### **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 13, 2024 - 5:30 p.m.

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski Server - Greg Wiegand Altar Guild - Susan Starbuck

Sunday, January 14, 2024 - 7:45 a.m. Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server/Lector - Warren Frank Acolytes - Ashlyn Whelan & Logan Kettler Ushers - Allen Jacobs, Don & Gina Birrittier Sunday, January 14, 2024 - 10:15 a.m.

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski Server - Doug Simms

Acolytes - Will Hanks & Jakson Gregory

Ushers - Cal Neeman, Dean Harbison, Jeriah Fink, Jacob Dethrow

Ushers - Sunday, January 21, 2024 7:45 a.m. - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Maddy Prather

10:15 a.m. - Elden Niemeyer, Wayne Hargrave, Warren Frank, Daniel Niemeyer Acolytes - Sunday, January 21, 2024

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Nash Bradley Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Myla & Henry Eggemeyer Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Jacob & Everly Dethrow Servers - Sunday, January 21, 2024 Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Bob Polansky Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Ben Biegler Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rodney Clamors Media - Sunday, January 21, 2024

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Keaton Roberts Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Ayda Eggemeyer Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Clark Deptula

Organist - Joan Ruwald Acolyte - Avery & Loralei Griffin Media - Melissa Wiegand

Music Director - Ann Frank Altar Guild - Barbara Altes Media - Cathy Whelan

Music Director - Ann Frank Altar Guild - Carol Kassel Media/Facebook Live - Liam Garner

Lectors - Sunday, January 21, 2024 Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Bob Polansky Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Ben Biegler Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Rodney Clamors Altar Guild - Sunday, January 21, 2024 Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Marilyn Collette Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara Altes Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Susan Hargrave

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Pastor Demski's Farewell Weekend February 3-4, 2024 Saturday at 5:30 p.m. Sunday at 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.

Potluck Luncheon following the 10:15 a.m. service. All invited!

Meat, bread, and drinks will be provided.

We are asking everyone to bring a

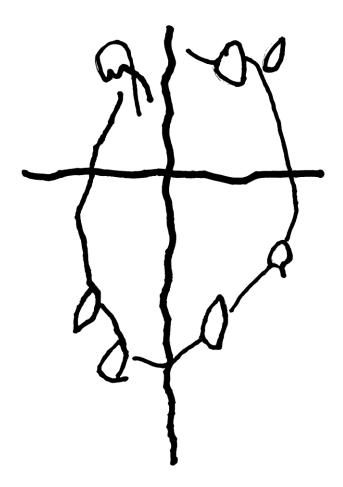
dessert or side dish/salad.

Last names A-M: a dessert Last names N-Z: side dish or salad

Look for a special letter and email next week but mark your calendars!

# **Connected to Christ:**

I am the vine; you are the branches...John 15:5



Amelia Kannewurf