



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH  
WATERLOO, ILLINOIS

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**Second Sunday after the Epiphany**

BEHOLD  
THE  
LAMB OF GOD  
WHO TAKES AWAY  
THE SIN OF THE WORLD  
JOHN 1:29

**Saturday, January 14, 2023 – 5:30 p.m.**  
**Sunday, January 15, 2023 – 7:45 a.m. & 10:15 a.m.**

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

## 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** [10:15 a.m. – Agape Ringers, “Carol of the Bells,” arr. K. McChesney]

### Bells

### Welcome

**Opening Hymn**, *LSB* 351, “Creator of the Stars of Night”

*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

(1 John 1:8-9)

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** **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.

**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, 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.**

**P** 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.





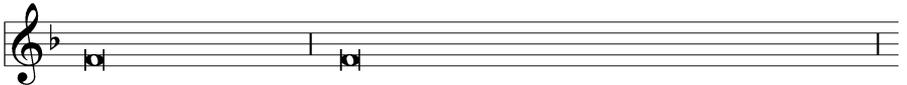
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



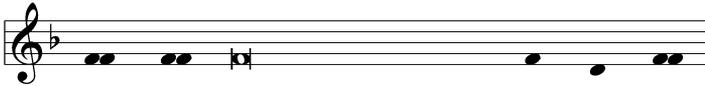
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - - men.

# Hymn of Praise

(Luke 2:14; John 1:29)



**A** Glory to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

(2 Timothy 4:22)

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** 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.) **Agape Ringers**, “The Virgin Mary Had a Baby Boy,” arr. J. Honore’

### **Old Testament Reading**, Isaiah 49:1-7

<sup>1</sup>Listen to me, O coastlands, and give attention, you peoples from afar. The LORD called me from the womb, from the body of my mother he named my name. <sup>2</sup>He made my mouth like a sharp sword; in the shadow of his hand he hid me; he made me a polished arrow; in his quiver he hid me away. <sup>3</sup>And he said to me, “You are my servant, Israel, in whom I will be glorified.” <sup>4</sup>But I said, “I have labored in vain; I have spent my strength for nothing and vanity; yet surely my right is with the LORD, and my recompense with my God.” <sup>5</sup>And now the LORD says, he who formed me from the womb to be his servant, to bring Jacob back to him; and that Israel might be gathered to him—for I am honored in the eyes of the LORD, and my God has become my strength—he says: “It is too light a thing that you should be my servant to raise up the tribes of Jacob and to bring back the preserved of Israel; I will make you as a light for the nations, that my salvation may reach to the end of the earth.” <sup>7</sup>Thus says the LORD, the Redeemer of Israel and his Holy One, to one deeply despised, abhorred by the nation, the servant of rulers: “Kings shall see and arise; princes, and they shall prostrate themselves; because of the LORD, who is faithful, the Holy One of Israel, who has chosen you.”

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

### **Epistle**, 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called by the will of God to be an apostle of Christ Jesus, and our brother Sosthenes, <sup>2</sup>To the church of God that is in Corinth, to those sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints together with all those who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, both their Lord and ours: <sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>4</sup>I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, <sup>5</sup>that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—<sup>7</sup>so that you are not lacking in any spiritual gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus

Christ, <sup>8</sup>who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>9</sup>God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Please stand*

### Alleluia and Verse

(John 6:68)



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the



words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel, John 1:29-42a

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 1<sup>st</sup> chapter.



**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

<sup>29</sup>The next day [John] saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! <sup>30</sup>This is he of whom I said, ‘After me comes a man who ranks before me, because he was before me.’ <sup>31</sup>I myself did not know him, but for this purpose I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel.” <sup>32</sup>And John bore witness: “I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him. <sup>33</sup>I myself did not know him, but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, ‘He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.’ <sup>34</sup>And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God.” <sup>35</sup>The next day again John was standing with two of his disciples, <sup>36</sup>and he looked at Jesus as he walked by and said, “Behold, the Lamb of God!” <sup>37</sup>The two disciples heard him say this, and they followed Jesus. <sup>38</sup>Jesus turned and saw them following and said to them, “What are you seeking?” And they said to him, “Rabbi” (which means Teacher), “where are you staying?” <sup>39</sup>He said to them, “Come and you will see.” So they came and saw where he was staying, and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour. <sup>40</sup>One of the two who heard John speak and followed Jesus was Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother. <sup>41</sup>He first found his own brother Simon and said to him, “We have found the Messiah” (which means Christ). <sup>42</sup>He brought him to Jesus.

**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* 402, "The Only Son from Heaven"

**Sermon**

*Please stand*

**Apostles' Creed**

**C** 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**

(1 Timothy 2:1-4)

**P** Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

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

**C** hear our prayer.

**P** 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 our Saturday evening service, please feel free to place your offerings and attendance cards in the plate in the narthex.*)

*Please stand*

## Offertory

(Psalm 116:12-13, 17-19)



**C** What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to



me? I will of - fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv - ing and will



call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-



va - tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my



vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the



courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## ✠ 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)

**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** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav-en and earth are full of Your glo - ry. Ho - san-na. Ho -



san-na. Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He who



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)

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

**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** A - men.

**Agnus Dei**

(John 1:29)



**C** Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the sin of the



world; have mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, You take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace.

*Please be seated*

**Distribution**

LSB 606, "I Lay My Sins on Jesus"

LSB 400, "Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning"

*Please stand*

**Dismissal**

**P** Now may this... Go in peace.

**C** Amen.

**Post-Communion Cantic** (Psalm 105:1-2, 42-43; 1 Chronicles 16:8-10)



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



Let all who seek the Lord re - jice and proud-ly bear His name.



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



with shouts of thanks-giv-ing. Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Collect**

**P** Let us pray.

We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; 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* 399, "The Star Proclaims the King Is Here"

**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](http://immanuelwaterloo.org).*

## Worship Helpers

### **Saturday, January 14, 2023 - 5:30 p.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Greg Wiegand

Media - Reagan Wilhelm

Organist - Joan Ruwald

Acolyte - Evan Williams

Altar Guild - Diana Heins

### **Sunday, January 15, 2023 - 7:45 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server/Lector - Warren Frank

Acolytes - Logan Kettler & Carson Filipiak

Ushers - Roy Unterseh, Jim Stueve, Ed Arras, Lilly Prather

Music Director - Ann Frank

Altar Guild - Sandy Thompson

Media - Ashlyn Whelan

### **Sunday, January 15, 2023 - 10:15 a.m.**

Pastor - Rev. Merritt Demski

Server - Paul Broske

Acolytes - Brielle Fink & Jeriah Fink

Ushers - Rodney Clamors, Jenna & Nicholas Hoeffken, Wyatt & Masson Fink

Music Director - Ann Frank

Altar Guild - Chris Michael

Media/Facebook Live - Keaton Roberts

### **Ushers - Sunday, January 22, 2023**

7:45 a.m. - Kevin & Alex Whelan, Jacob Dethrow

10:15 a.m. - Jason Valerius, Jeriah Fink, Trinity Drewes, Evan Williams

### **Acolytes - Sunday, January 22, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Gwen Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Clark Deptula & Nash Bradley

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Ashlyn Whelan & Jakson Gregory

### **Servers - Sunday, January 22, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Greg Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Chuck Keller

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky

### **Media - Sunday, January 22, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Melissa Wiegand

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Cathy Whelan

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Michael Evers

### **Lectors - Sunday, Jan 22, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - n/a

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Daniel Niemeyer

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Bob Polansky

### **Altar Guild - Sunday, Jan 22, 2023**

Saturday 5:30 p.m. - Marilyn Collette

Sunday 7:45 a.m. - Barbara & Deb

Sunday 10:15 a.m. - Carol Kassel

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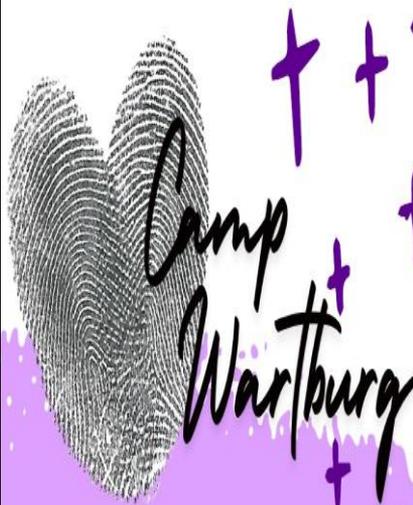
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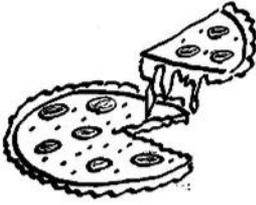
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January 26-28, 2023

**4th Annual Preschool Pizza Dinner  
Party and Preschool Student Art Show**  
*In support of Immanuel Lutheran  
Preschool Before and After Care Program*

Join us for a FUN Preschool Event. Proceeds will go toward our preschool. This event will be run by the teachers and students of Immanuel Lutheran Preschool, along with the help of MANY church volunteers and preschool families.

**How can you participate?**

1. Volunteer—we need MANY volunteers to make this event a success (all ages welcome)
2. Reserve a Table and enjoy **Pizza and Games** with **all** your family and friends.

Return the attached RSVP with your payment ASAP to reserve your preferred dinner time. You will need to make your top 3 choices of preferred dinner times. While trying to honor your top 1 choice, we will need to reserve the time slot that best fits into our schedule. Time slots are filled on a first-come basis. So, please RSVP ASAP!

Once we receive your reservation and payment, we will email you a dinner ticket showing the date and time of your reservation.

**Volunteers** – Please fill out the volunteer form stating the dates and times you are available to help. Thank you in advance for your dedication and support!

***See the special insert for reservation and  
volunteer forms!***

***Thank you for your support!***