

# The Baptism of Our Lord

Sunday, January 11, 2026



# Immanuel Lutheran Church

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The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

*Faithful to God's Word -  
We receive, celebrate and share Jesus Christ.*

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### Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

LIVESTREAM –

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### Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen  
Ministry Congregation

### WHO SHOULD COMMUNE HERE

...In the Sacrament of the Altar we receive, as Christ says, His true body and His true blood for the forgiveness of our sins. Those who come to the Lord's Supper at this altar, are those who: 1 Repent of their sins, and earnestly seek to live according to God's will. 2 Trust the Word of Christ that His body and blood are truly present and received here for forgiveness. 3 Confess the faith of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, as a member of this congregation or a of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.

### Micah 6:8

*...He has told you, O man, what is good; and what does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God?*

### COOK BOOK DEADLINE EXTENDED

...The Stewardship Board has not received the response we need to publish a cookbook. Please submit recipes to the church office or Stewardship mailbox. Or if you wish, email them to the church office at [church@ilcmi.org](mailto:church@ilcmi.org). Thanks for supporting this effort!

### MAKE PLANS TO JOIN THE FELLOWSHIP

...Join us on Sunday, February 1 at 2pm in Immanuel's Great Room and be part of a livestreamed Lutheran Hour Rally that will be coming from St. Lorenz Lutheran Church Worship Center in Frankenmuth! This will be a special time of remote worship and Christian fellowship! Refreshments will be served. Invite your family and friends to join us!

### THANK YOU

...Our sincere thanks to everyone at Immanuel for their cards, prayers, and acts of kindness shown to our family. Pastor Boyer, thank you for being there for us during this difficult time. Your words at the funeral service were of great comfort to us and to everyone who attended. Thank you to Pat Holland, Sandy Marxhausen, Sheree Goebel, Mary Wissner, and Chris Walz for serving the luncheon and to everyone who donated food. May God bless all of you, The family of Kitty Ricker.

### MEET WITH THE ELDERS

...The elders will be having a "questions and concerns meeting" with the congregation on Sunday, January 18 at 8am in the church basement fellowship hall for anyone that has anything to share as far as ideas, concerns, and questions regarding our church.

## **IN OUR PRAYERS**

### **+ SPECIAL NEEDS**

...Lorraine Morey, Kevin Weeks, John Volz, Cassie (Molina) Kerinuk, Loretta Tope, Marlene Faber, Warren Beers, Joan Walz, Gil & Joy Sprague, Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, and Rick Chambers.

### **CHURCH ATTENDANCE**

...Sunday, January 4, 2026; 9:00 – 139; Monday, 6:30 – 36

### **RED LETTER CHALLENGE-GIVING**

...It is time to order the Red Letter Challenge, Giving devotional books for Lent. This year we are offering a \$5 discount when paying in advance. The normal cost per book is \$20, but if you pay by **January 19**, your cost is only \$15. Please consider purchasing one of these inspiring devotional books to help prepare you for your journey to the cross this Lenten season. Payment can be made in the church office or put in the Stewardship mailbox.

### **VOTERS' MEETING**

...Immanuel's next Voters' Meeting will be Monday, January 19 at 7:30pm. There will be a vote during this meeting on making changes to the constitution regarding the number of Voters' Meetings per year and moving them from Monday evenings to Sunday mornings. If you would like your opinion heard, make plans to attend the January meeting.

### **OWLS**

...The planning committee currently has a vacancy. Please consider becoming a committee member. If you are thinking about filling that position, consider attending a couple of meetings to find what is involved. Contact Nancy Brown, Doug Forsberg, Sally Rievert, or Pat Seabrook with any questions.

### **REMINDERS**

...Please check the kitchen to claim any dishes you may have left.

...The Quilters are taking a winter break and will resume in spring.

## **School News**

### **FROM THE PRINCIPAL**

...CTK A Basketball (Girls only) kicked off Friday in Richville. They will have a home game this Friday at 6:00.

...Lutheran Schools Week is coming up! Beginning January 25th, students will sing their praises at St. Paul, to kick off the week, and then will end it singing at Immanuel on February 1. There will be spirit days and special activities throughout the week. We are excited to celebrate our school!

...The CTK Spelling Bee is also coming up! Students are preparing in their classrooms. Top spellers will compete in the school wide bee on February 5th. Watch for more details.

...A big thank you again to everyone who donated items to make the first Holly Jolly Christmas Fair a success! We had 51 shoppers at it, which is awesome for it being the first one! Some of the proceeds will be used for seed money for next year and a portion will be put towards the crochet club, book club, STEM club, and craft club, which are offered by teachers, to give students an

opportunity to participate in something outside of sports. We are already excited and planning for the second one next school year!

...CTK will be hosting a donation rummage sale this spring. More details will be shared as they become available. Proceeds from the sale will go to the Scholarship Fund.

## Our Lord's Business this Week

### January 11 – January 18

SUNDAY:            8:30 AM    Music and Fellowship in the Great Room  
                  9:00 AM    **WORSHIP/Communion**  
                  9:00 AM    CTK 7/8 handbells at St. Paul  
                  10:15 AM    Sunday School & Bible Study

MONDAY:            5:00 PM    Finance  
                  6:30 PM    **WORSHIP/Communion**  
                  6:30 PM    Trustees and Stewardship  
                  7:15 PM    Evangelism  
                  7:45 PM    Church Council

TUESDAY:            6:00 PM    Public School Confirmation Class

WEDNESDAY:        8:05 AM    Chapel  
                  9:30 AM    Adult Bible Class

THURSDAY:            12:00 PM    Bulletin Deadline

NEXT SUNDAY:        8:00 AM    Meet with the Elders  
                  8:30 AM    Music and Fellowship in the Great Room  
                  9:00 AM    **WORSHIP/Communion**  
                  10:15 AM    Sunday School & Bible Study  
                  1:00 PM    Help take down Church Christmas decorations

#### **SERVING NEXT WEEK (JANUARY 18)**

Elders:            9:00-John Kemp & Jeff Williamson

Acolytes:            9:00-Oscar Schulz & Carver Smith

Greeters:            9:00-Judy Gregory & Stacy Pommerenke

Scrip:            9:00-Kari Stecker

Ushers:            9:00-GROUP 3: Tom Sting, Floyd Winchell, Ryan Kuhl, Emersynn Kuhl, Gerald Gross, David Dufty, Austin Dufty

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January 11, 2026  
9:00 am

## Divine Service 3

### *Announcements*

Hymn – *Come, Holy Ghost, Creator Blest*

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### Divine Service 3

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Invocation, Confession and Absolution

### Introit

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.

Kyrie

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Gloria In Excelsis

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Salutation and Collect

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.**

## The First Reading – *Isaiah 42:1-9*

### The Gradual

Praise the Lord, all nations!  
Extol him, all peoples!  
For great is his steadfast love toward us,  
and the faithfulness of the Lord endures forever.  
Ascribe to the Lord the glory due his name;  
bring an offering, and come into his courts!

### The Epistle – *Romans 6:1-11*

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*Once in Royal David's City*

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*God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

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Benediction

Closing Hymn – *All Christians Who Have Been Baptized*

**LSB 596**

## **Isaiah 42:1-9**

Behold my servant, whom I uphold,  
my chosen, in whom my soul delights;  
I have put my Spirit upon him;  
he will bring forth justice to the nations.  
<sup>2</sup>He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice,  
or make it heard in the street;  
<sup>3</sup>a bruised reed he will not break,  
and a faintly burning wick he will not  
quench;  
he will faithfully bring forth justice.  
<sup>4</sup>He will not grow faint or be discouraged  
till he has established justice in the earth;  
and the coastlands wait for his law.  
<sup>5</sup>Thus says God, the Lord,  
who created the heavens and stretched  
them out,  
who spread out the earth and what comes  
from it,  
who gives breath to the people on it  
and spirit to those who walk in it:  
<sup>6</sup>"I am the Lord; I have called you in  
righteousness;  
I will take you by the hand and keep you;  
I will give you as a covenant for the people,  
a light for the nations,  
<sup>7</sup>to open the eyes that are blind,  
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,  
from the prison those who sit in darkness.  
<sup>8</sup>I am the Lord; that is my name;  
my glory I give to no other,  
nor my praise to carved idols.  
<sup>9</sup>Behold, the former things have come to pass,  
and new things I now declare;  
before they spring forth  
I tell you of them."

## **Romans 6:1-11**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in  
sin that grace may abound? <sup>2</sup>By no means! How  
can we who died to sin still live in it? <sup>3</sup>Do you  
not know that all of us who have been baptized  
into Christ Jesus were baptized into his

death? <sup>4</sup>We 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.

<sup>5</sup>For if we have been united with him in a  
death like his, we shall certainly be united with  
him in a resurrection like his. <sup>6</sup>We 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. <sup>7</sup>For one  
who has died has been set free from sin. <sup>8</sup>Now  
if we have died with Christ, we believe that we  
will also live with him. <sup>9</sup>We know that Christ  
being raised from the dead will never die again;  
death no longer has dominion over him. <sup>10</sup>For  
the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but  
the life he lives he lives to God. <sup>11</sup>So you also  
must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive  
to God in Christ Jesus.

## **Matthew 3:13-17**

Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan  
to John, to be baptized by him. <sup>14</sup>John would  
have prevented him, saying, "I need to be  
baptized by you, and do you come to  
me?" <sup>15</sup>But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so  
now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all  
righteousness." Then he consented. <sup>16</sup>And  
when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went  
up from the water, and behold, the heavens  
were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of  
God descending like a dove and coming to rest  
on him; <sup>17</sup>and behold, a voice from heaven said,  
"This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well  
pleased."

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### Who Should Commune?

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**Our Congregation at Prayer**  
**Daily Scripture and Prayer**  
**To be Used in the Home**  
**Getting Ready for Epiphany 2 A**  
**Immanuel Lutheran Church**

Theme for Sunday: The Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world has come to serve all people making us guiltless until He comes again.

*The following short order may be used for devotions at home during the week or Daily Prayer for individuals and families may be used in the hymnal (LSB page 294 and following).*

**Invocation**

In the Name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

**Introit**      *Psalm 19.1-4a, ant Psalm 19.14*

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

    O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

The heavens declare the glory of God,

    And the sky above proclaims his handiwork.

Day to day pours out speech,

    And night to night reveals knowledge.

There is no speech, nor are there words,

    Whose voice is not heard.

Their measuring line goes out through all the earth, and their words to the end of the world.

    In them he has set a tent for the sun.

**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.**

Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in your sight,

    O LORD, my rock and my redeemer.

**Collect**

Almighty and everlasting God, who governs all things in heaven and on earth, merciful 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.

**Gradual**      *Psalm 117.1-2a, Psalm 96.8*

Praise the LORD, all nations! Extol him, all peoples!

For great is his steadfast love toward us,

    And the faithfulness of the LROD endures forever.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name;

    Bring an offering, and come into his courts.



The Psalm for Epiphany 2 A may be read (Psalm 40.1-11) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	110	62	13	96	116	85	61
Evening	66; 23	73; 8	36; 5	132; 134	26; 130	25; 40	138; 98

Readings for next Sunday (see below) or these daily readings may be used

Sunday	Ezekiel 2.1-3.11	Romans 1.18-32
Monday	Ezekiel 3.12-27 (Ezek 4.1-11.25)	Romans 2.1-16
Tuesday	Ezekiel 18.1-4, 19-32 (Ezek 19.1-24.27)	Romans 2.17-29
Wednesday	Ezekiel 33.1-20	Romans 3.1-18
Thursday	Ezekiel 34.1-24	Romans 3.19-31
Friday	Ezekiel 36.13-28	Romans 4.1-25
Saturday	Ezekiel 36.33-37.14	Romans 5.1-21

### **Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Isaiah 49.1-7**

Who is this servant, this Israel?

What would this servant accomplish?

How is the Lord the Redeemer of Israel?

### **Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 1.1-9**

How were the Corinthians enriched in Christ?

Are they lacking in any spiritual gift? Why not?

How can the Corinthians be sustained guiltless to the end?

### **Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: John 1.29-42a**

What does John tell us about this Jesus?

Why does John keep on calling Jesus the "Lamb of God"?

What does Andrew tell his brother, Simon?

Catechism Selection (this may be read, recited, or spoken responsively)

### **Office of the Keys**

*What is the Office of the Keys?*

The Office of the Keys is that special authority which Christ has given to His Church on earth to forgive the sins of repentant sinners, but to withhold forgiveness from the unrepentant as long as they do not repent.

*Where is this written?*

This is what St. John the Evangelist writes in chapter twenty: The Lord Jesus breathed on His disciples and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone his sins, they are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven." (John 20:22-23)

*What do you believe according to these words?*

I believe that when the called ministers of Christ deal with us by His divine command, in particular when they exclude openly unrepentant sinners from the Christian congregation and absolve those who repent of their sins and want to do better, this is just as valid and certain, even in heaven, as if Christ our dear Lord dealt with us Himself.