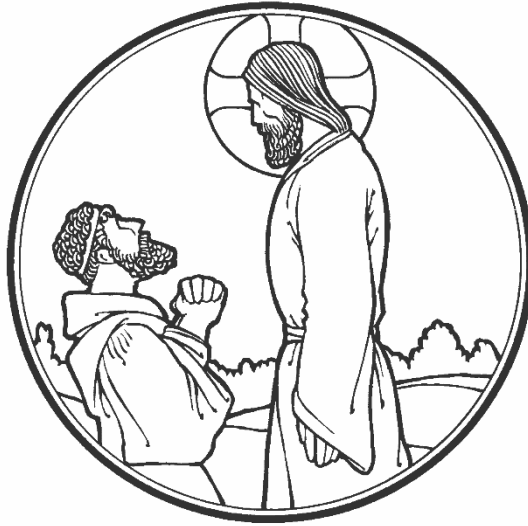


Epiphany

Sunday, February 16, 2025



Immanuel Lutheran Church

SEBEWAING, MICHIGAN



The Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod

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Sunday Worship

9:00 am

with

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Monday Worship

6:30 pm



A Stephen
Ministry Congregation

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TITUS 3:1

...Remind them to be submissive to rulers and authorities, to be obedient, to be ready for every good work.

QUILT TYING

...happens at 9 am in church basement. Extra hands are always needed, to tie or sew blocks together. Thank you to those that have donated bed sheets

OWLS TRIVIA TIME

...Due to weather conditions today's OWLs Trivia Time event has been rescheduled to Sunday, March 2 at 2pm in the church great room. Reserve this new date on your calendar. See you in two weeks!

HOT TURKEY SANDWICH

...Trinity United Methodist Church in Sebewaing will be having their hot turkey sandwich luncheon on Sunday, March 2 from 11:30-1:00. Meal includes: hot turkey sandwich, coleslaw, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn and dessert. Free-will offering. Drive up Carry-Out only.

BENEFIT BREAKFAST

...Come out to the Sportsmans VFW hall in Sebewaing on Sunday, February 23 from 8am-1pm for eggs, sausage, pancakes, toast, fruit, coffee, juice and milk! Adults \$13, Children age 5-12 \$6, under 5 eat free. Proceeds to assist John & Sierra Gillow with travel expenses to U of M for their 2 year old son who was diagnosed with Acute Lymphoblastic Leukemia.

2025 OSL MEN'S RETREAT

...“The Revelation of Jesus Christ” will be held in Adrian, MI. March 14-16 with speaker Pastor Jim Young. For more information stop by the church office.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

...will be Tuesday, February 25 at Son's Life Missionary Church from 1-5:45pm. To schedule an appointment log onto RedCrossBlood.org (sponsor code USA) or call 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767).

EVANGELISM BOARD

...is looking for 3 new members for the next ballot in April. If you are interested in joining Evangelism or want to learn more, talk to: Nancy Brown, Mary Bauer, Joan Walz, Joyce Jahr, Annette Carson, Gloria McKellar or Michele Harbuck.

IN OUR PRAYERS

+ SPECIAL NEEDS

...Loretta Tope, Marlene Faber, Warren Beers, Joan Walz, Gil & Joy Sprague, Nancy Pommerenke, Gary Volz, Nelda Gnagey, Chuck Dutcher, Emily Smith, LoAnn Rieman, Ernie Sbresney III, Sue McGathy, Jim & Shirley Simmet, Barb Nitz, Collin Nitz, Frank Gunsell, Randy Forbing, Ian Faist, Wayne Morris, Karen Swartzendruber, Stephen Sprague, Grayson Cohn, Scott Smith, Brenda Chambers, Rick Chambers and Pastor Hagenow.

CHURCH ATTENDANCE

...Sunday, February 9, 2025; 9:00 –121 ; Monday, 6:30 – 28

LISTEN TO THE LUTHERAN HOUR

...every Sunday morning on WLEW 1340AM at 11:10, WMIC AM 600 at 10:05 or WSAM AM 1400 at 8:30. Today's Lutheran Hour message is "The Bread of Our Lives" with Guest Speaker Rev Dr Daniel Paavola. Jesus gives us Himself as the Bread of Life so that everything we need can be filled by Him and His gifts. (John 6:35)

ONLINE GIVING IS AVAILABLE

...through the Vanco app! Scan the QR code to Immanuel's site and click on "My Vanco" to designate your giving. Reach out to a member of the Stewardship Board with questions. Your time, talents, and treasures are a gift to our congregation!



GERMAN DINNER CARRY OUT AND BUFFET

...at Zion Lutheran School, 299 Garden Street, Harbor Beach on Sunday, February 23 from 11-3. Roast pork, sausage, sauerkraut, corn, mashed potatoes, applesauce, cranberry relish, roll and dessert. All carry-out meals and adult buffet \$15. Children buffet \$10.

PHILIPPIANS CONFERENCE

...is a free event hosted by Zion Lutheran in Harbor Beach on April 12, 2025 from 9am-2pm. This workshop is based on Paul's words in Philippians Chapter 1 and gathers pastors and lay leaders from the congregation to spend the day together looking at the theology and practice of stewardship. Open to Pastor, Elders and other elected leaders and members of the congregation. Questions may be directed to meador@swd.lcms.org or call 414-464-8101.

PARENTS OF 8TH GRADE CONFIRMANDS AND CTK STUDENTS

...The office is still in need of cap/gown/tassel information and orders for your students. Please fill out the google form that was emailed to you or email or call the church office asap!

School News

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

...The bi-annual CTK Auction is March 15. Tickets are available at both churches and the school offices. If you are interested in donating any items or would like to help at the auction, please contact Amy Engelhard, Lori Kemp, or Becky Fiebig.

...Congratulations to Hazel Scharf for winning the school wide Spelling Bee. In second place was Emily Sattelberg and third place was Bentley Saenz. The top spellers from each grade 5-8, along with the school winner, will go to St. Paul, Saginaw on February 20, to compete in the Lutheran Area Spelling Bee, which will be at 6:30pm. Those top classroom spellers include: Gunnar Deeg, Kennedy Kemp, and Charlotte Schulz. Great job to all of the students who participated! Keep up the good work!

...Thank you to the First and Second Graders, Ms. E, and all the parent helpers who helped with the pie sale this year! Great job everyone!
...Thank you to the Collide group for the yummy subs last Sunday!
...National Lutheran Schools week will be celebrated February 24-28.

Our Lord's Business this Week February 16 – February 23

SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room
 9:00 AM **WORSHIP/Communion**
 10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

MONDAY: CTK – No School
 5:00 PM Finance
 6:30 PM WORSHIP/Communion

TUESDAY: 9:00 AM Quilters
 6:00 PM Public School Confirmation Class
 6:00 PM Christ's Messengers

WEDNESDAY: 8:05 AM Chapel
 9:30 AM Adult Bible Class
 4:00 PM Newsletter Deadline
 6:00 PM Glory Ringers
 7:00 PM Adoration Choir
 7:00 PM Board of Education

THURSDAY: 12:00 PM Bulletin Deadline

NEXT SUNDAY: 8:30 AM Music and Fellowship in the Great Room
 9:00 AM **WORSHIP/Communion**
 9:00 AM CTK- K-8 sing at Immanuel
 10:15 AM Sunday School & Bible Study

SERVING NEXT WEEK (FEBRUARY 23)

Acolytes: 9:00-Kate & Addison Pommerenke
Greeters: 9:00-Janet Sharpsteen & Carol Truemner
Scrip: 9:00-Anne Bell
Ushers: 9:00-GROUP 7: Larry Kuhl, Tim Irion, Andy Irion, Jim Hofmeister, David Mammel, Tim Beringer, Branden Gettel, William Harder

Immanuel Lutheran Church, Sebewaing

Sixth Sunday after the Epiphany

February 16, 2025

9:00 am

Divine Service 1

Announcements

Opening Hymn – *Alleluia, Alleluia! Hearts to Heaven*

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Divine Service 1

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Psalm 1 – Cantor, Ken Engelhardt and Congregation

¹Blessèd is the man

who walks not in the counsel of the | wicked,*
nor stands in the way of sinners,
nor sits in the seat of | scoffers;

²**but his delight is in the law | of the LORD,*
and on his law he meditates | day and night.**

³He is like a tree

planted by streams of water
that yields its fruit in its season,
and its leaf does not | wither.*

In all that he does, he | prospers.

⁴**The wicked | are not so,***

but are like chaff that the wind | drives away.

⁵Therefore the wicked will not stand in the | judgment,*
nor sinners in the congregation of the | righteous;

⁶**for the LORD knows the way of the | righteous,*
but the way of the wicked will | perish.**

Glory be to the Father and- | to the Son*

**and to the Holy- | Spirit;
as it was in the be- | ginning***

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Kyrie

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This Is the Feast

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Salutation and Collect

O Lord, graciously hear the prayers of Your people that we who justly suffer the consequence of our sin may be mercifully delivered by Your goodness to the glory of Your name; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The First Reading – *Jeremiah 17:5-8*

Passacaglia – G. F. Handel – Kenny Walz, Barbara Bleck

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 – *1 Corinthians 15:1-20*

Children’s Sermon

Alleluia & Verse

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The Gospel – *Luke 6:17-26*

Hymn – *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

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Prayer of the Church

Offering – *Have Thine Own Way, Lord* – Mike Zagata, Ken Engelhardt, Doug Forsberg

Offertory

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Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Lord’s Prayer

The Words of Our Lord

Agnus Dei



Distribution Hymns

Now All the Vault of Heaven Resounds

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The Lamb

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Onward, Christian Soldiers

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Thank the Lord

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Post-Communion Collect

Benediction

Closing Hymn – *I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus*

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Jeremiah 17:5-8

Thus says the LORD:

“Cursed is the man who trusts in man
and makes flesh his strength,
whose heart turns away from the LORD.

⁶He is like a shrub in the desert,
and shall not see any good come.

He shall dwell in the parched places of the
wilderness,
in an uninhabited salt land.

⁷“Blessed is the man who trusts in the LORD,
whose trust is the LORD.

⁸He is like a tree planted by water,
that sends out its roots by the stream,
and does not fear when heat comes,
for its leaves remain green,
and is not anxious in the year of drought,
for it does not cease to bear fruit.”

1 Corinthians 15:1-20

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the
gospel I preached to you, which you received, in
which you stand, ²and by which you are being
saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to
you—unless you believed in vain.

³For I delivered to you as of first importance
what I also received: that Christ died for our sins
in accordance with the Scriptures, ⁴that he was
buried, that he was raised on the third day in
accordance with the Scriptures, ⁵and that he
appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. ⁶Then
he appeared to more than five hundred
brothers at one time, most of whom are still
alive, though some have fallen asleep. ⁷Then he
appeared to James, then to all the apostles.
⁸Last of all, as to one untimely born, he
appeared also to me. ⁹For I am the least of the
apostles, unworthy to be called an apostle,
because I persecuted the church of God. ¹⁰But
by the grace of God I am what I am, and his
grace toward me was not in vain. On the
contrary, I worked harder than any of them,
though it was not I, but the grace of God that is

with me. ¹¹Whether then it was I or they, so we
preach and so you believed.

¹²Now if Christ is proclaimed as raised from
the dead, how can some of you say that there is
no resurrection of the dead? ¹³But if there is no
resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ
has been raised. ¹⁴And if Christ has not been
raised, then our preaching is in vain and your
faith is in vain. ¹⁵We are even found to be
misrepresenting God, because we testified
about God that he raised Christ, whom he did
not raise if it is true that the dead are not raised.
¹⁶For if the dead are not raised, not even Christ
has been raised. ¹⁷And if Christ has not been
raised, your faith is futile and you are still in
your sins. ¹⁸Then those also who have fallen
asleep in Christ have perished. ¹⁹If in this life
only we have hoped in Christ, we are of all
people most to be pitied.

²⁰But in fact Christ has been raised from the
dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen
asleep.

Luke 6:17-26

[Jesus] came down with them and stood on
a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples
and a great multitude of people from all Judea
and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and
Sidon, ¹⁸who came to hear him and to be healed
of their diseases. And those who were troubled
with unclean spirits were cured. ¹⁹And all the
crowd sought to touch him, for power came out
from him and healed them all.

²⁰And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples,
and said: “Blessed are you who are poor, for
yours is the kingdom of God.

²¹“Blessed are you who are hungry now, for
you shall be satisfied.

“Blessed are you who weep now, for you
shall laugh.

²²“Blessed are you when people hate you
and when they exclude you and revile you and
spurn your name as evil, on account of the Son
of Man! ²³Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy,

for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.

²⁴“But woe to you who are rich, for you have received your consolation.

²⁵“Woe to you who are full now, for you shall be hungry.

“Woe to you who laugh now, for you shall mourn and weep.

²⁶“Woe to you, when all people speak well of you, for so their fathers did to the false prophets.

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Who Should Commune?

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 member of another LCMS congregation. If you have questions about our communion practice, please speak to the pastor or an elder.



Our Congregation at Prayer

Daily Scripture and Prayer
To be Used in the Home
Getting Ready for Epiphany 7 C
Immanuel Lutheran Church

Theme for Sunday: Love is the fulfilling of the law. Jesus fulfilled the law on our behalf and loved us at the tree, thus as Joseph loved his brothers so we should love one another.

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 37:1-5; antiphon: vv. 7a, b*

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.
Fret not yourself because of evildoers;
be not envious of wrongdoers!
For they will soon fade like the grass
and wither like the green herb.
Trust in the LORD, and do good;
dwell in the land and befriend faithfulness.
Delight yourself in the LORD,
and he will give you the desires of your heart.
Commit your way to the LORD;
trust in him, and he will act.

**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.**

Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him;
fret not yourself over the one who prospers in his way.



Gradual Ps 117.1-2a, 96.8

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.

Collect

O God, the strength of all who put their trust in You, mercifully grant that by Your power we may be defended against all adversity; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The Psalm for Epiphany 7 C may be read (Psalm 103.1-13) or those printed below.

Daily Psalms	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	67	51	54	65	143	86	122
Evening	46; 93	85; 47	28; 99	125; 91	81; 116	6; 19	141; 90

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

February 16	Job 12.1-6, 12-25	John 5.30-47
February 17	Job 13.1-12	John 6.1-21
February 18	Job 13.13-28	John 6.22-40
February 19	Job 14.1-22	John 6.41-59
February 20	Job 15.1-23, 30-35	John 6.60-71
February 21	Job 16.1-22	John 7.1-13
February 22	Job 17.1-16	John 7.14-31

Talk About Next Sunday's Old Testament Reading: Genesis 45.3-15

What had Joseph been through before seeing his brothers here?

Why does Joseph say that he was sold into slavery?

How strong does it appear that Joseph's faith is?

What does Joseph want his brothers to do next?

Talk About Next Sunday's Epistle Reading: 1 Corinthians 15.21-26, 30-42

What is the contrast between Adam and Christ that Paul talks about?

What was the Corinthian's thought if the dead are not raised?

What kind of body did the Corinthians think they would have?

How will our bodies really be in the resurrection?

Talk About Next Sunday's Gospel Reading: Luke 6.27-38

Jesus gives some practical advice about living with our enemies, isn't that exactly what is commanded in the law?

Is the law ever satisfied with our works?

Is it easy to follow all these commands that Jesus gives?

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

The Sacrament of the Altar continued

How can bodily eating and drinking do such great things?

Certainly not just eating and drinking do these things, but the words written here: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." These words, along with the bodily eating and drinking, are the main thing in the Sacrament. Whoever believes these words has exactly what they say: "forgiveness of sins."

Who receives this Sacrament worthily?

Fasting and bodily preparation are certainly fine outward training. But that person is truly worthy and well prepared who has faith in these words: "Given and shed for you for the forgiveness of sins." But anyone who does not believe these words or doubts them is unworthy and unprepared, for the words "for you" require all hearts to believe.

CTK AUCTION DINNER SPONSOR OPPORTUNITIES

**We are excited to host our Bi-Annual Dinner Auction on
March 15, 2025 at Sherwood On the Hill in Gagetown, MI
and we would love your support.**

_____ I want to sponsor this wonderful event, please find my check enclosed for the following amount:

_____ PLATINUM: \$5,000 – includes social media presence, website presence, email blasts, advertisement presence, event flyers, press releases, program inclusion, logo insertion, thank you email blast and future sponsorship opportunities.

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