

Baptism of Our Lord

Emanuel-St. John Lutheran Church
January 10, 2021

Welcome and Announcements

Confession and Forgiveness

In the name of the Father,
and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people,
turning us from our sin to live for you alone.
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sins,
Receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord.

Amen

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.

A brief silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves.

**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.**

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.

In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us
and for his sake God forgives us all of our sins.

As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority,
I therefore declare unto you the entire forgiveness of all of your sins,
in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Hymn – As with Gladness Men of Old – LBW 82

As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold;
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright;
So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore be led by thee.

As with joyful steps they sped, Savior, to thy lowly bed,
There to bend the knee before Thee, whom heav'n and earth adore;
So may we with willing feet Ever seek thy mercy seat.

As they offered gifts most rare At thy cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to thee, our heav'nly king.

Holy Jesus, ev'ry day Keep us in the narrow way;
And when earthly things are past, Bring our ransomed souls at last
Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds thy glory hide.

In the heav'nly country bright Need they no created light;
Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;
There forever may we sing Alleluias to our King.

The Apostolic Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

Kyrie

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer.
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.

Have mercy on us Christ, and wash away our sin.
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

Have mercy on us, Lord; make sin and shame depart.
Renew us with your saving power; create in us new hearts.

Hymn of Praise

Glory be to God in heaven; peace, goodwill to all the earth.
Mighty God of all creation, Father of surpassing worth;
We exalt you, we adore you, we lift high our thanks and praise.
Saints and angels bow before you; here on earth our songs we raise.

Glory be to Christ forever, Lamb of God and Lord of love.
Son of God and gracious Savior, you have come from heav'n above;
On the cross you died to save us; now you reign at God's right hand.
Hear our prayer; restore, forgive us; in your promise firm we stand.

Holy One we now acclaim you; Lord alone, to you we call.
Holy One in faith we name you, God most high, yet near to all.
Jesus Christ, with God the Spirit, in the Father's splendor bright.
For the peace that we inherit, glory be to God on high!

Prayer of the Day

Holy God, creator of light and giver of goodness, your voice moves over the water. Immerse us in your grace, and transform us by your Spirit, that we may follow after your Son; Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Readings and Psalm

Genesis 1:1-5

Psalm 29

Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;

worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.

The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;

the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;

the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor.

The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;

the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

The LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,

and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.

The voice of the LORD

bursts forth in lightning flashes.

The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;

the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.

The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.

And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;

the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.

O LORD, give strength to your people;

give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace.

Acts 19:1-7

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Lord and Savior: open now your saving word.

Let it burn like fire within us; speak until our hearts are stirred.

Alleluia! Lord we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel

Mark 1:4-11

Sermon

Hymn of the Day – Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized – ELW 304

Christ, when for us you were baptized,
God's Spirit on you came,
as peaceful as a dove, and yet
as urgent as a flame,
as urgent as a flame.

God called you, "My beloved Son";
you are God's servant true,
sent to proclaim the reign of heav'n,
God's holy will to do,
God's holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death
you then obeyed the call
to serve with free and willing heart,
to give your life for all
to give your life for all.

Baptize us with your Spirit, Lord;
your cross on us be signed,
that likewise in God's service we
may perfect freedom find,
may perfect freedom find.

The Apostle's Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and was born of the virgin Mary.**

He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Prayers of Intercession

Each petition ends:

Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you. *Give each other a sign of peace.*

Offering

Thank you for your continued offerings. They are much appreciated.

Offering Prayer

Merciful Father,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us: ourselves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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, the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

Benediction

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

May the Lord grant you his favor and give you his peace.

Amen.

Closing Hymn – Shine, Jesus, Shine – WOV 651

Refrain:

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;

blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.

Flow river, flow, flood the nations with love and mercy;

send forth your Word, Lord, and let there be light!

Verse 1

Lord, the light of your love is shining,

in the midst of the darkness, shining;

Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,

set us free by the truth you now bring us.

Shine on me, shine on me;

Refrain

Verse 2

As we gaze on your kingly brightness,

so our faces display your likeness,

ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here, may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me:
Refrain

Sending

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!
Thanks be to God.

Bulletin Announcements

Baptism of Our Lord, January 10, 2021

Following CDC guidelines, an offering plate will not be passed for your offerings this morning. We encourage you to continue your faithful support as you have been doing by either mailing to the church, placing into the night depository at the bank or giving electronically via Vanco. Thank you for your faithful support.

Masks will be mandatory at all services until further notice. The 8 a.m. service will be live streamed on Facebook and KJEP 98.3fm on the radio.

This week at Emanuel-St. John

Sun, Jan 10 8:00 a.m. Worship
8:45 a.m. Confirmation
9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Worship
Mon, Jan 11 7:30 a.m. Men's Group
Wed, Jan 13 4:00 p.m. Sunrise Circle (rescheduled date)
Thurs, Jan 14 8:00 a.m. Prayer Group
6:30 p.m. Committee Meetings
7:00 p.m. Church Council (zoom meeting)
Sun, Jan 17 8:00 a.m. Worship
8:45 a.m. Confirmation
9:00 a.m. Sunday School & Adult Bible Study
10:00 a.m. Worship

Prayer concerns: Our prayers are with the following people with ongoing health concerns: Sandy Buckner, Abe Clark, Marlin Dettman, Chad Kruckenberg, Janet Everts Noth, Dale Scharn, Daryl Walters and Gracia Willis ...We remember also our homebound & nursing home members: John Everts, Joleen Harmon, Mildred Purdie and Gracia Willis...We pray for all affected by COVID-19 locally and throughout the world...We pray for the safety and well-being of all law enforcement personnel and first responders...For our Nation and the men and women serving in the armed forces at home and abroad especially Shiloh Meyer, Hannah Hildreth and Allen Jensen.

Members celebrating their birthday this week:

Jan 10 Marilyn Dettmann, Katelynn Macrunnel, Owen Scharn, PeterLam Wei
Jan11 Justin Smith
Jan 12 **Esther Dettmann**, Gregga Schuetz
Jan 13 **Stephen Kral**, Tyler Scharn, Theresa Schultz

Jan 14 Micah Lantz, Steven Schultz, Abigail Worley
Jan 15 Donna Bounds, Kaylynn Kruckenberg, Kylin Kruckenberg
Jan 16 Kathy Kuehl, Tina Rix

Members celebrating their anniversary this week:

Jan 10, 1975 David and Diana Diersen
Jan 12, 2005 Nathan and Michele Hauptert
Jan 16, 1971 **Dennis and Patty Johnson**

This is when we normally begin our Do-Days making quilts, rolling bandages, etc. for Lutheran World Relief. However this year we have decided not to have Do-Days during January and February because of COVID. We will watch what happens with CDC rules and might consider scheduling some Do-Days during March and April.

Emanuel-St. John's Annual Meeting will be Sunday, January 31st following the 10 a.m. worship service. This meeting will likely be in person as well as available on zoom. Complete details following next council meeting.

We need volunteers to serve on the following committees: Vice-President, Parish Education, Property Management and 2 names for Worship & Music. If you would be willing to serve, contact a committee member soon. Thank you.

Manson Community Blood Drive will be held Monday, January 11, 2021 from 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. at St. Paul Evangelical Lutheran Church in the Fellowship Hall, 1108 13th Avenue, Manson, IA 50563. To set up your lifesaving appointment TODAY contact: Shari Proctor at 712-469-2197 -- TEXT: LIFESERVE to 999-777 -- Call: 800-287-4903 -- Visit: lifeservebloodcenter.org. COVID-19 Antibody Testing will be available. The need is very great.

ELCA Prayer Ventures for Sunday, Jan 10th through Saturday, Jan 16th:

10 Give thanks for God's love and forgiveness in baptism, which marks the beginning of our journey with our siblings in Christ to share the good news, serve all people, grow the church and strive for peace and justice in the world.

11 Pray for parents, students, employees and business owners whose plans and routines change day by day and week by week due to the uncertainty of the pandemic, that they might be hopeful, resilient and able to adapt, change and endure.

12 Pray for our faith-based schools, early childhood education programs and day care centers as they provide experiential education, social interaction, stability and calm for the youngest of our children, who are often most vulnerable during times of uncertainty and anxiety.

13 God is mighty, majestic and eternal throughout the universe, generously sharing strength and blessings with us. Give glory and thanks to God, and shout for joy!

14 Ask God to help us practice justice, generosity and care for creation, sharing our resources with others who have few or who have lost resources or productive land as a result of natural and human-caused disasters.

15 Pray for the young adults who have applied for a yearlong journey in international service with our companion churches and organizations through the ELCA Young Adults in Global Mission (YAGM) program, which will resume in 2021-2022 after a time of sabbath during the

pandemic.

16 Thank God for our special relationship with the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), a full communion partner with the ELCA since 1997; pray for the church, its members and its leaders, and pray that together we will find strength and new resources for the work of sharing the gospel and serving our neighbor, especially in these uncertain and challenging times.