



**First Sunday after Epiphany  
 The Baptism of the Lord  
 Sunday, January 12, 2025**

**HYMN – 633 “Speak, O Lord”**



*We begin with Holy Baptism on page 151. Today we welcome Elisha Joshua Timothy Weber into the family of God. He is the son of Andy and Amanda Weber. Elisha’s sponsors are Laura Schaefer, Jeff Maurer, Brad Weber and Dylan Weber.*

**GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST (page 191)**

**The Word**

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan, you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Keep us who are baptized into Christ faithful in our calling as your children, and make us heirs with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**FIRST READING – 1 Samuel 16:1-13**

<sup>1</sup> The Lord said to Samuel, “How long will you mourn for Saul, since I have rejected him as king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil and be on your way; I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem. I have chosen one of his sons to be king.”

<sup>2</sup> But Samuel said, “How can I go? If Saul hears about it, he will kill me.”

The Lord said, “Take a heifer with you and say, ‘I have come to sacrifice to the Lord.’” <sup>3</sup> Invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what to do. You are to anoint for me the one I indicate.”

<sup>4</sup> Samuel did what the Lord said. When he arrived at Bethlehem, the elders of the town trembled when they met him. They asked, “Do you come in peace?”

<sup>5</sup> Samuel replied, “Yes, in peace; I have come to sacrifice to the Lord. Consecrate yourselves and come to the sacrifice with me.” Then he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice. <sup>6</sup> When they arrived, Samuel saw Eliab and thought, “Surely the Lord’s anointed stands here before the Lord.”

<sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, “Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart.”

<sup>8</sup> Then Jesse called Abinadab and had him pass in front of Samuel. But Samuel said, “The Lord has not chosen this one either.” <sup>9</sup> Jesse then had Shammah pass by, but Samuel said, “Nor has the Lord chosen this one.” <sup>10</sup> Jesse had seven of his sons pass before Samuel, but Samuel said to him, “The Lord has not chosen these.” <sup>11</sup> So he asked Jesse, “Are these all the sons you have?” “There is still the youngest,” Jesse answered. “He is tending the sheep.” Samuel said, “Send for him; we will not sit down until he arrives.”

<sup>12</sup> So he sent for him and had him brought in. He was glowing with health and had a fine appearance and handsome features.

Then the Lord said, “Rise and anoint him; this is the one.”

<sup>13</sup> So Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the presence of his brothers, and from that day on the Spirit of the Lord came powerfully upon David. Samuel then went to Ramah.

**PSALM 2**

**SECOND READING – Titus 3:4-7**

<sup>4</sup> But when the kindness and love of God our Savior appeared, <sup>5</sup> he saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit, <sup>6</sup> whom he poured out on us generously through Jesus Christ our Savior, <sup>7</sup> so that, having been justified by his grace, we might become heirs having the hope of eternal life.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION page 194**



*Refrain*



**All:** You are my Son, / whom I love;  
 With you I am / well pleased

*Refrain*

## CHILDREN'S SERMON

### GOSPEL – Luke 3:15-17,21-22

<sup>15</sup>The people were waiting expectantly and were all wondering in their hearts if John might possibly be the Messiah. <sup>16</sup>John answered them all, “I baptize you with water. But one who is more powerful than I will come, the straps of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. <sup>17</sup>His winnowing fork is in his hand to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but he will burn up the chaff with unquenchable fire.”

<sup>21</sup>When all the people were being baptized, Jesus was baptized too. And as he was praying, heaven was opened <sup>22</sup>and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven: “You are my Son, whom I love; with you I am well pleased.”

### HYMN – 377 “To Jordan’s River Came Our Lord”

### SERMON – Luke 3:15-17,21-22

#### “God Anointed His Son to Save”

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### PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

### OFFERING

**THE SACRAMENT** (page 199) - *We invite those who hold membership in this church or any church in fellowship with WELS, to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.*

### DISTRIBUTION HYMNS

372 “As with Gladness Men of Old”

695 “Take My Life and Let It Be”

### BLESSING

### HYMN – 692 “All Who Believe and Are Baptized”

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#### Serving today at Immanuel:

**Organist:** Jane Vacek      **Elder:** Ryan Palmer  
**Video Taping:** Mark DeVries      **Power Point:** Cody Black  
**Altar Guild:** Deb Boelter and Julie Thompson  
**Ushers:** Jeremy Prieve, Michael Thompson, Brad Duesterhoeft,  
Andy Prieve, Alex Prieve, Kyle Podratz

## ~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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### Living in God’s Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
Monday:	6:30	p.m.	PTF
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00	p.m.	Council
	7:00	p.m.	Ladies Semi-Annual Meeting
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion

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*Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar)*

*Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)*

Church Services Broadcasted Mondays at 10:00 am & Sundays at 9 pm  
on Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3



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Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.

### Immanuel Grace Lutheran School

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## Upcoming Annual Meetings

January 28<sup>th</sup> – Annual Voter’s Meeting/Congregational Meeting  
at 7:00 p.m.

*Everyone invited to attend.*

January 15<sup>th</sup> – Ladies Annual Meeting at 7:00 p.m.



*Sunday, January 26 at 4:30 p.m.*

*Church basement*

*Pizza ~ Puzzles ~ Pies*

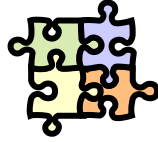
*Family fun evening – Everyone Welcome!*

*Pizza will be served – we will have some fun with a little challenge of putting together puzzles. (Puzzles will be provided.)*

*Bring a Pie (or dessert) to share.*

*Sign up on the sheet in the entryway.*

*Hope to see you there!*



The Nominating Committee will be meeting soon to begin the process to fill the ballots for the following positions at the next Congregational/Voter's meeting scheduled for January 28<sup>th</sup>. Please consider giving of your time and talents when called upon.

- Vice-Chairman
- Secretary
- Delegate
- Trustee (3 year term)
- Elder (3 year term)
- Finance (3 year term)
- Cemetery Board (3 year term)

The Holy Scriptures have defined God pleasing ways in which women may serve their Lord. The Immanuel Ladies' Auxiliary is made up of all women in our congregation. The Ladies Executive Board is asking for volunteers to be on the ballot at the January 15<sup>th</sup> meeting for the following:

- Vice President
- Director (3 year term)

**Please contact Dori Duesterhoeft or Wendy Hellwig** if you have questions or would like to volunteer to serve as Vice President or Director.

*The Vice President serves as vice president in assisting the President for one year and then moves into the office of President for one year. The President directs 2 meetings per year and consults with the Executive Committee to ensure that the condition and cleanliness of the kitchen and basement are adequate for use.*

*The 3 Directors oversee church improvements when contacted by the church council. They also rotate duties communicating with members hosting a catered event and initiate the annual cleaning of the church kitchen and basement. **Thank you.***

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### **Weather Closings**

Winter weather will soon be with us again. On Sundays with questionable weather, worship cancellations will be announced on KDUZ -1260 AM radio. During the week, Pastor's policy is this: if Hutchinson Public Schools are closed for the day, evening events at both Immanuel and Zion will also be postponed on that day.