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As We Gather ~ In His Baptism, Jesus Takes His Place with Sinners

Our Lord Jesus is baptized "to fulfill all righteousness" (Matt. 3:13–17). He partakes of a baptism for sinners in order that He might be our substitute and bear the judgment we deserve. In the water, Jesus trades places with us. Our sin becomes His sin. His righteousness becomes our righteousness. Our glory, therefore, is in "Christ Jesus, who became to us . . . righteousness and sanctification and redemption" (1 Cor. 1:26–31). Jesus is the "chosen" One sent from the Father to release us from the prison house of sin and death (ls. 42:1–7). Baptized into Christ, we also become the chosen ones, beloved of the Father. We cross the Jordan with Jesus (Joshua 3) through death into the promised land of new life with God

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"Hail to the Lord's Anointed"

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P 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.

C Amen.

### **Old Testament Reading**

Isaiah 42:1-7

1Behold 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.

2He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street:

3a bruised reed he will not break,

and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.

4He will not grow faint or be discouraged

till he has established justice in the earth;

and the coastlands wait for his law.

5Thus 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:

6"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,

7to open the eyes that are blind,

to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon, from the prison those who sit in darkness.

- P This is the Word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

#### <u>Gradual</u>

Blessèd be the LORD, the God of Israel, who alone does wondrous things.

Blessèd be his glorious name forever; may the whole earth be filled with his glory! Amen and Amen!

### **Epistle** 1 Corinthians 1:26–31

26For consider your calling, brothers: not many of you were wise according to worldly standards, not many were powerful, not many were of noble birth. 27But God chose what is foolish in the world to shame the wise; God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong; 28God chose what is low and despised in the world, even things that are not, to bring to nothing things that are, 29so that no human being might boast in the presence of God. 30He is the source of your life in Christ Jesus, whom God made our wisdom and our righteousness and sanctification and redemption. 31Therefore, as it is written, "Let the one who boasts, boast in the Lord."

P This is the Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

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### Holy Gospel

Matthew 3:13–17

13Then Jesus came from Galilee to the Jordan to John, to be baptized by him. 14John would have prevented him, saying, "I need to be baptized by you, and do you come to me?" 15But Jesus answered him, "Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness." Then he consented. 16And 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; 17and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased."

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### The Immanuel Spirit

**Welcome to Immanuel!** Welcome friends! Remembering how the psalmist proclaimed, "In the great congregation I will bless the Lord" (Psalm 26:12). We invite everyone to unite in the joyous worship of our Creator, Redeemer and Sustainer. Let us join our hearts in praise, thanksgiving and love towards God—beginning now. Please join us for fellowship after the service.

**Guests:** Please sign our guest book, or a guest card in the pew and place in the offering plate before leaving.

**Scripture Lessons for next Sunday:** Exodus 33:12–23, Romans 12:6–16 and John 2:1–11.

**Stewardship:** Matt. 3:15 – "But Jesus answered him, 'Let it be so now, for thus it is fitting for us to fulfill all righteousness.' "Fulfilling all righteousness is not a task we are up to. The reason God sent His Son into the world is to fulfill all righteousness for us, to do what we could not do. The whole of Jesus' life, everything He did and said, was one great offering to the Father in our stead to fulfill all righteousness for us. With our righteousness fulfilled in Jesus and given to us in Baptism – our hearts now overflow with thanksgiving and praise.

**Communion Statement:** As we learn from 1 Corinthians, when we commune together we make a confession of our oneness in doctrine and understanding of God's Word. Since those who show publicly that they agree with the teachings believed, taught, and confessed by the Pastor and congregation at which the Sacrament is distributed, we ask that those who are not members in good standing of a congregation of the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod, or one of our sister churches to please refrain from partaking of the Sacrament. Instead, if you would like to receive a blessing, you are more than welcome to come to the altar rail and please indicate you would like to receive a blessing by crossing your arms in front of your chest. A list of church bodies with whom we share Altar and Pulpit fellowship is posted on the bulletin board in the hallway. If you would like to visit about this doctrine and practice, please talk to Pastor or an Elder. For further study on this matter see Matthew 5:23ff, 18:15-35, 26:26-39; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22:19-20 and 1 Cor. 11:17-34. Thank you.

**Sunday School:** In Sunday School today, the children will hear the message "The Birth of Jesus Foretold." God favored Mary, choosing her to be the mother of Jesus. God favors us because of Jesus Christ, choosing us to be His children! Ask your children, "How did God show Mary, and us, His unmerited grace and favor?"

Building Healthy Families for Jan. 13th: Butterflies taste with their feet. Starfish don't have brains. Elephants can't jump. A cockroach will live seven days without its head, before it starves to death. All of God's creatures are amazing but the greatest of all is...you! But unlike animals, we are created in God's image. (Genesis 1:27) Each human person from the moment of conception is uniquely created by God, in His image and known by him individually. Hard to comprehend? Yes. But true? Yes! I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made. Wonderful are your works; my soul knows it very well. (Psalm 139:14) Lutheran Family Service of lowa: Des Moines (515) 251-4900.

Life Quote for Jan. 13th: "If God places such high value on life—all life (John 3:16)—how can we possibly be less concerned? We do love others because He first loved us (1 John 4:19). We speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves (Proverbs 31:8) because when we had no voice, no standing, no defense, Jesus stepped in on our behalf. There is no way we can be less loving." Christian Life Resources ~ A "Life Quote" from Lutherans For Life www. lutheransforlife.org

Lutheran Hour Ministries for Jan. 20th: Hear "My Delight is in Her" based on Isaiah 62:1-5 by Rev. Dr. Anthony Cook. As a bridegroom rejoices over his bride, God rejoices over you. This week we explore our new name and identity as the bride of Christ. ~ Listen next Sunday on 600 WMT at 6:30 a.m., 1190 KFJB at 8:30 a.m., WHO-1040 at 7:30 a.m., & 1410 KGRN at 7:30 a.m.

Life Thought in the Church Year for January 13th: With this One, His Son veiled in frail human flesh, the heart of Almighty God is well-pleased (Luke 3:22). Through the same Jesus Christ, He creates, redeems, and calls (Isaiah 43:1-2) every member of our race to be His own beloved child. Since He stands in our place, even our sicknesses and sorrows do not represent punishments but rather opportunities for Him to shower blessing.

EDUCATING A NEW GENERATION OF LUTHERANS...Issues, Etc. is a radio talk show and podcast hosted by LCMS Pastor Todd Wilken and produced by Lutheran Public Radio in Collinsville, IL. This week's teachings include: The Confession of Peter, Mortification, The Wedding at Cana, Daily Bread and more. You can listen live or at your convenience at www.issuesetc.org and on the LPR mobile app.

Cleaning: Household(s) responsible for the week of 1/13--1/19 is Sittig. Household(s) responsible for the week of 1/20--1/26 is Stanek. If it is your week to clean church & you have other obligations or prefer to write a check rather than cleaning, the cost is \$50. Please contact Amber Carnine (641-990-5985) no later than the Thursday of the week before it is your week to clean.

**Voters' Assembly** 

The 1st quarter meeting will be held after the service on Sunday, January 20th.

If you are not a member and desire to become one:

- 4.3.1 Definition: Voting members are communicants who have reached the age of 18 years and who have been received by the Voters' Assembly.
- 4.3.2 Reception: Applicants for voting membership shall have received a copy of the constitution and be given time to review it. They shall be received as voting members by presenting themselves at a meeting of the Voters' Assembly and signing the constitution.

## Confirmation Memory Work for January 20th

5th/6th Grades

First Article & Meaning

7th/8th Grades

First Article & Meaning



### **TODAY**

Organist	Pam Haase	
Elder	Ken Mergen	
Greeter	Thorpe	
	Kevin Schultz & Arnie Heimsoth	
Servers	Diane Schultz & Kathy Stanek	
Acolyte/Crucifier	Alex Eichenberger & Oliver Louden	
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Organist		
Organist	Pam Haase	
Organist Elder Greeter	Joel McDonough	
Organist Elder Greeter Ushers	Pam Haase Joel McDonough Baker	

## Our Gifts to God (given at Immanuel) January 6, 2019

Attendance	54
Holy Communion	38
General Fund	\$8850.00
Missions	\$622.00
Building Improvement Fund	\$12,000.00

### **Week Ahead**

### **TODAY**

Council Meeting	8:00 a.m.
The Baptism of Our Lord	
Christian Education	
No Confirmation	

### \*Pastor will be out of town all week for a conference\*

### **NEXT SUNDAY**

2nd Sunday after the Epiphany	9:00 a.m.
Christian Education	
Voters' Assembly	10:30 a.m.
7th/8th Grades Confirmation	
5th/6th Grades Confirmation	•

### BIRTHDAYS

Today...Darlo Kelting Wednesday...Joel McDonough

May God bless you today and each day that follows. May you hear His voice, follow His footsteps, be comforted by His care, and live in His grace now and forever.





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**Sunday School Opening** 

Pastor Koepp

## The Divine Service Introduction Our Lutheran Heritage of Worship Pastor David Miller

Trinity Lutheran Church, Cedar Rapids, Iowa

### **Liturgical Colors (Part I)**

The Lord loves beauty. He created a beautiful garden, teeming with beautiful creatures and life. (Gen. 1, 2) Wherever He dwells with his people on earth with grace and mercy, He gives them a place of beauty to come and receive that Eden again as heaven meets earth. For example, the tabernacle was full of ornate and artistic craftsmanship. (Ex. 31:1-11) Solomon's temple also exhibited splendor and majesty through the artistry therein. (1Kings 7:13,14) So too, does our Lord meet us, His Church, in the Sanctuary, where He returns us to a rich Eden. We dine on the choicest fruit from the tree of the Cross, Christ's very body and blood, to nourish us with forgiveness, life, and salvation. Clear, crystal streams of living water flow to us in the font to satisfy our parched soul. Green pastures stretch out before us as we, His flock, listen to the voice of our Good Shepherd through his under-shepherd, the pastor. All ecclesiastical art points to the heavenly reality that the church is a holy place where divine gifts are given and received.

Since such beauty communicates to us that our Lord is with us and for us, church buildings and adorned with awe-inspiring and Gospel-communicating appointments. Just to name a few examples, rich paraments on the altar and pulpit, vestments on the pastors, and banners share a common color that is not only stunning but is meant to silently communicate the life of the Church to us. Since the Church is Christ's body, it only makes sense that her life revolves around her Lord's life. Therefore, each color says something about which festival or season of Christ's life we are celebrating.

Color is a powerful thing, for we are psychologically wired to make associations with particular colors. Think of how new parents oftentimes choose to paint the nursery pink if they know their baby will be a girl or blue if a boy. The standard four colors of the church year do the same thing. Violet, white, green, and red have their own associations with different milestones in the life of Christ and his Church. Other colors such as blue, rose, scarlet, black, and gold have been added over time to contribute a richer palette to the eye of the parishioner. Each time you come to church, take a look at what color your pastor is wearing and what color adorns your altar. Parts II-X, which follow, will explain the significance of our Liturgical colors and what they mean for you as a member of our Lord's body.



Immanuel Lutheran Youth Super Bowl Party

DEVOTION

Sunday, February 3

GAMES

5:00 p.m.

RELAXATION

at the Koepp's House

Come cheer on your favorite team!

A Sign-Up Sheet for Food is on the entryway table



Important Dates!

January 25-26, 2019
IDE Middle School Retreat
& Snow-lympics!

February 3, 2019 Super Bowl Party

February 25, 2019
Early Bird Camp Registration Deadline #1

April 13, 2019 Spring 2019 LHM Convention: Camp Io-Dis-E-Ca

April 29, 2019
Early Bird Camp Registration Deadline #2

June 12, 2019 Summer Camp Begins

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