

January 9, 2022



WELCOME
TO GOD'S FAMILY!



MT. ZION

Evangelical Lutheran Church
Madison Heights, MI

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1st Sunday after Epiphany

Pre-Service Personal Prayer: *Dear Lord Jesus, our Righteousness, graciously forgive our many sins and replace them with the white robes of righteousness earned for us by Your suffering and death on the cross. Supply our hearts with a faith that trusts in our Father's mercy and kindness, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in You, our Savior Jesus. Amen.*

Today's Worship!

Greeting and Prayer

Opening Hymn 134 (TLH): *Songs of Thankfulness and Praise*

**1. Songs of thankfulness and praise, Jesus, Lord, to Thee we raise,
Manifested by the star To the sages from afar,
Branch of royal David's stem, In Thy birth at Bethlehem.
Anthems be to Thee addressed God in man made manifest.**

**2. Manifest at Jordan's stream, Prophet, Priest, and King supreme,
And at Cana, Wedding-guest, In Thy Godhead manifest;
Manifest in power divine, Changing water into wine.
Anthems be to Thee addressed God in man made manifest.**

**3. Manifest in making whole Palsied limbs and fainting soul;
Manifest in valiant fight, Quelling all the devil's might;
Manifest in gracious will, Ever bringing good from ill.
Anthems be to Thee addressed, God in man made manifest.**

**4. Sun and moon shall darkened be, Stars shall fall, the heavens shall flee;
Christ will then like lightning shine, All will see His glorious sign;
All will then the trumpet hear, All will see the Judge appear;
Thou by all wilt be confessed, God in man made manifest.**

**5. Grant us grace to see Thee, Lord, Mirrored in Thy holy Word;
May we imitate Thee now And be pure as pure art Thou
That we like to Thee may be At Thy great Epiphany
And may praise Thee, ever blest, God in man made manifest.**

The Invocation

We invoke ("call upon") the name of the one true God – Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

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

C Amen!

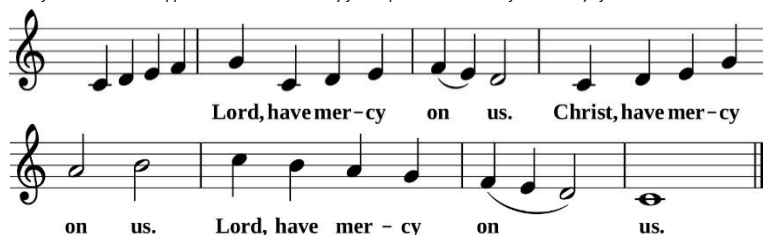
The Confession and Absolution of Sins

We come before our Holy God admitting that we are sinful and need His forgiveness.

- P** Beloved of God: Let us draw near with a true heart, and confess our sins to God our Father, asking Him, in the Name of our Lord Jesus Christ, to grant forgiveness:
- C** Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer: we confess that we are sinful by nature, and have sinned against You in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have not loved You above all things. We have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. Have mercy on us, and for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, forgive us our sins.
- P** God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by His authority, I forgive you all your sins in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy

Kyrie – Latin for “O Lord.” We approach our Lord with a cry for help in all the needs of our earthly life.



Glory to God in the Highest

Gloria in Excelsis – Latin for “Glory in the Highest (to God).” A hymn glorifying and praising our God.



praise You for Your glo - ry. Lord Je - sus
 Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,
 Lamb of God: You take a-way the sin of the world; have
 mer-cy on us. You are seat-ed at the right hand of the
 Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer. For You a-lone are the
 Ho - ly One, You a-lone are the Lord, You a-lone are the
 Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir-it, in the
 glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

The Prayer for the Day

The main thoughts for the day are collected together in this prayer.

P Let us pray. . . through Christ Jesus, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever

C Amen.

The Old Testament Reading: 1 Samuel 16:1-13

The LORD said to Samuel, "How long will you grieve over Saul, since I have rejected him from being king over Israel? Fill your horn with oil, and go. I will send you to Jesse the Bethlehemite, for I have provided for myself a king among his sons." ² And Samuel said, "How can I go? If Saul hears it, he will kill me." And the LORD said, "Take a heifer with you and

say, 'I have come to sacrifice to the LORD.' ³ And invite Jesse to the sacrifice, and I will show you what you shall do. And you shall anoint for me him whom I declare to you." ⁴ Samuel did what the LORD commanded and came to Bethlehem. The elders of the city came to meet him trembling and said, "Do you come peaceably?" ⁵ And he said, "Peaceably; I have come to sacrifice to the LORD. Consecrate yourselves, and come with me to the sacrifice." And he consecrated Jesse and his sons and invited them to the sacrifice.

⁶ When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the LORD's anointed is before him." ⁷ But the LORD said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the LORD sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the LORD looks on the heart." ⁸ Then Jesse called Abinadab and made him pass before Samuel. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ⁹ Then Jesse made Shammah pass by. And he said, "Neither has the LORD chosen this one." ¹⁰ And Jesse made seven of his sons pass before Samuel. And Samuel said to Jesse, "The LORD has not chosen these." ¹¹ Then Samuel said to Jesse, "Are all your sons here?" And he said, "There remains yet the youngest, but behold, he is keeping the sheep." And Samuel said to Jesse, "Send and get him, for we will not sit down till he comes here." ¹² And he sent and brought him in. Now he was ruddy and had beautiful eyes and was handsome. And the LORD said, "Arise, anoint him, for this is he." ¹³ Then Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him in the midst of his brothers. And the Spirit of the LORD rushed upon David from that day forward. And Samuel rose up and went to Ramah.

The Responsive Reading: *Psalms 2 Selected Verses*

- [P]** Why do the nations rage and the peoples plot in vain?
- [C]** **The kings of the earth set themselves, and the rulers take counsel together, against the LORD and against his Anointed, saying,**
- [P]** "Let us burst their bonds apart and cast away their cords from us."
- [C]** **He who sits in the heavens laughs; the Lord holds them in derision.**
- [P]** Then he will speak to them in his wrath, and terrify them in his fury, saying,
- [C]** **"As for me, I have set my King on Zion, my holy hill."**



- P** I will tell of the decree: The LORD said to me, "You are my Son; today I have begotten you.
- C** Ask of me, and I will make the nations your heritage, and the ends of the earth your possession."
- P** Serve the LORD with fear, and rejoice with trembling.
- C** Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

The Epistle Reading: *Titus 3:4-7*

But when the goodness and loving kindness of God our Savior appeared, ⁵ he saved us, not because of works done by us in righteousness, but according to his own mercy, by the washing of regeneration and renewal of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom he poured out on us richly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ so that being justified by his grace we might become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

- P** Blessed are they who hear the Word of God and keep it.



The Apostle's Creed *We boldly confess what we believe.*

- C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven; And is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Baptism of Sophia Lynn Ryan

Hymn 751 (WS2000): *God's Own Child, I Gladly Say It*

- 1. God's own child, I gladly say it: I am baptized into Christ!
He, because I could not pay it, Gave my full redemption price.
Do I need earth's treasure many? I have one worth more than any
That brought me salvation free Lasting to eternity!*
- 2. Sin, disturb my soul no longer: I am baptized into Christ!
I have comfort even stronger: Jesus' cleansing sacrifice.
Should a guilty conscience seize me Since my baptism did release me
In a dear forgiving flood, Sprinkling me with Jesus' blood?*
- 3. Satan, hear this proclamation: I am baptized into Christ!
Drop your ugly accusation, I am not so soon enticed.
Now that to the font I've traveled, All your might has come unraveled,
And, against your tyranny, God, my Lord, unites with me!*
- 4. Death, you cannot end my gladness: I am baptized into Christ!
When I die, I leave all sadness To inherit paradise!
Though I lie in dust and ashes Faith's assurance brightly flashes:
Baptism has the strength divine To make life immortal mine.*

The Sermon: *Luke 3:15-17,21-22*

As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, ¹⁶ John answered them all, saying, "I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. ¹⁷ His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." . . . ²¹ Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, ²² and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Theme: BAPTISM DECLARES YOU BELONG TO GOD

- I. Like Jesus, you too belong separate from sin.
- II. Because of Jesus, you too belong as God's beloved child.
- III. With Jesus, you too belong in God's kingdom work.

The Offertory

Having heard God's Word, we ask Him to spiritually heal us, giving us the gift of the Holy Spirit.

Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O
God. Re - new a right spir-it with - in me. Cast me
not a - way from Your pres-ence. Take not Your Ho - ly
Spir-it from me. Re - store to me the joy of Your sal-
va - tion. Up - hold me with Your free Spir - it.

Hymn 752 (WS2000): *Baptized in Water*

- 1. Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,
Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King;
Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise,
Faithfully now God's praises we sing.***
- 2. Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,
Dead in the tomb with Christ, our King;
One with His rising, Freed and forgiven,
Thankfully now God's praises we sing.***
- 3. Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit,
Marked with the sign of Christ, our King;
Born of the Spirit, We are God's children,
Joyfully now God's praises we sing.***

Installation of Church Officers

President Carl Ryan (1yr)

Financial Secretary Ben Mueller (1yr)

Vice President Matt Fobear (1yr)

Trustee Ben Mueller (3yr)

Secretary Matt Fobear (1yr)

Elder Randy Wittorp (3yr)

Treasurer Nathan Fobear (1yr)

Elder Matt Fobear (3yr)

Board of Finance Carl Ryan and Randy Wittorp (1yr)

Board of Education Dave Troyan, Randy Wittorp, and Matt Fobear (1yr)

The Offering of Thankful Hearts

In tangible evidence of our gratitude, we offer the Lord the gift of our money, remembering that He has first given to us that we might have to give to Him. If you wish to give your church offering electronically, you can do so by using the CashApp on your mobile device. The church's Sčashtag is "Sclemtzion". While the usher brings the offering plate forward we sing the following hymn verse

(788:1): **Lord, You love the cheerful giver Who with open heart and hand
Blesses freely, as a river That refreshes all the land.
Grant us, then, the grace of giving With a spirit large and true
That our life and all our living We may consecrate to You.**

Prayer of the Church – The Lord's Prayer

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

The Service of the Sacrament

Now we approach the second high point of the liturgy, the Sacrament, in which the Lord comes to bless us with His very body and blood. We move toward the Sacrament with prayers of thanksgiving and songs of adoration.

P The Lord be with you.

C And also with you.

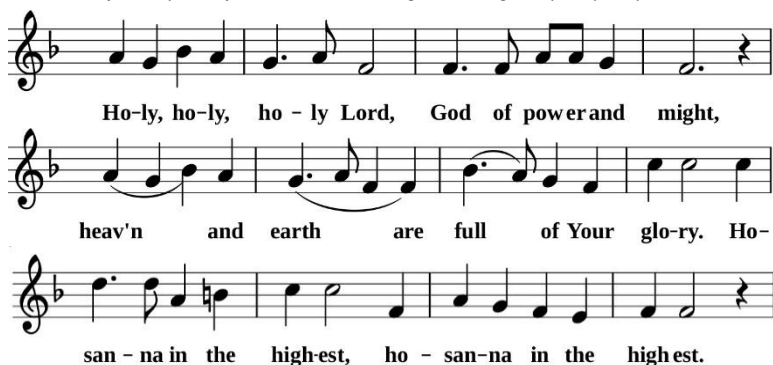
P Lift up your hearts.

C We lift them up to the Lord.

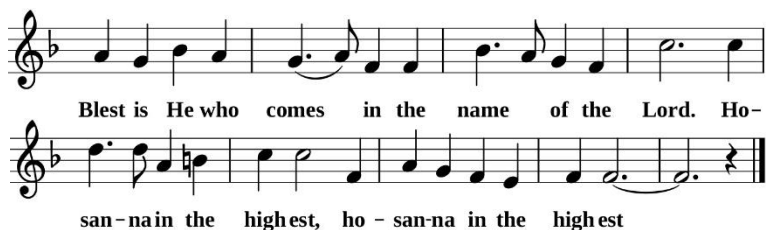
P It is right and beneficial that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, and now we praise You that You sent us Your only begotten Son and that in Him, being found in fashion as a Man, You manifested the fullness of Your glory; Therefore with angels and archangels and all the company of heaven, we magnify Your glorious Name, evermore praising You and saying...

Holy, Holy, Holy

The Sanctus – Latin for "Holy." We join our voices to the angels who sing, "Holy, Holy, Holy" around His throne."



Ho-ly, ho-ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and might,
heav'n and earth are full of Your glo-ry. Ho-
san - na in the high-est, ho - san-na in the highest.



Words of Institution

The words spoken by Jesus the night He instituted the Lord's Supper by which our Lord assured to His Church the real presence of His sacramental body and blood for all time.

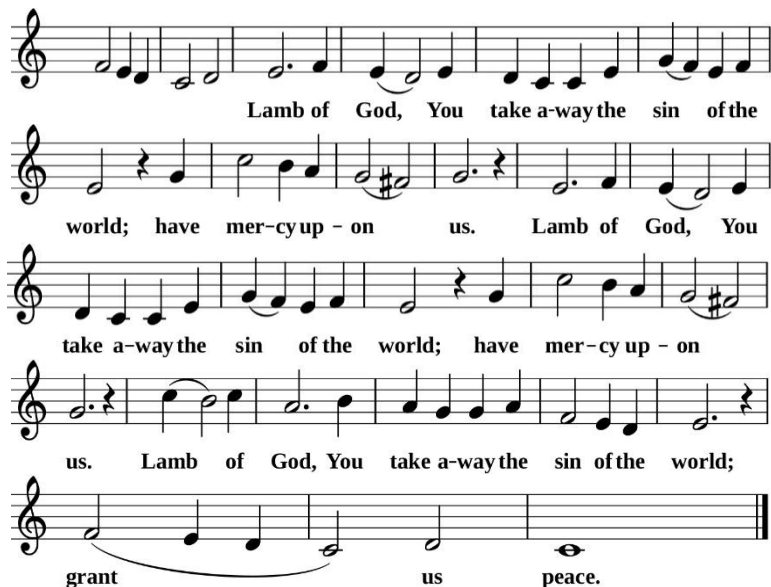
P Our Lord Jesus Christ, the same night in which He was betrayed, took bread. And when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to His disciples, saying, "Take, eat. This is My body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

In the same way He took the cup, after supper, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying, "Drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new covenant in My blood, which is shed for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of Me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always!

Lamb of God

The Agnus Dei – Latin for "Lamb of God." As we approach the Table of Forgiveness, we want to be thinking about the Lamb of God who was sacrificed for us on Calvary's cross.



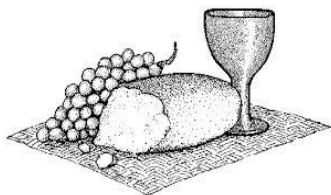
Distribution of the Sacrament

Communion Today is for Members Only Please

We don't judge anyone's faith, but we do stand up for our own. The Bible teaches what we call "Close Communion," that is, God wants you to commune only with those people with whom you are agreed in ALL the Bible's teachings. This belief is based upon the Bible passages listed below. Therefore, if you are a guest with us today, and BEFORE you come up to commune with us, you'll want to find out if our church teaches what the Bible does! The pastor would be happy to discuss this with you at your convenience!

1 Corinthians 1:10 *"Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment."*

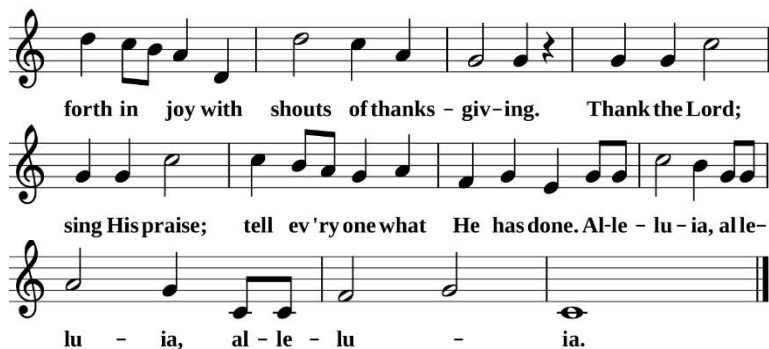
1 Corinthians 11:26-30 *"For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death till He comes. Therefore whoever eats this bread or drinks this cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of the body and blood of the Lord. But let a man examine himself, and so let him eat of that bread and drink of that cup. For he who eats and drinks in an unworthy manner eats and drinks judgment to himself, not discerning the Lord's body."*



Thanksgiving

We give thanks and praise the LORD for the forgiveness of sins received in the Sacrament.

Thank the Lord; sing His praise; tell ev'ry one what
He has done. Let all who seek the Lord re-joice and
bear Christ's ho - ly name. Thank the Lord;
sing His praise; tell ev'-ry-one what He has done.
Send us with Your prom - is - es, Lord; lead Your peo - ple



The Benediction *The blessing given by God for His people (Numbers 6:24-26)*

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.

C Amen!

Closing Hymn 301 (TLH): *He that Believes and is Baptized*

1. He that believes and is baptized

Shall see the Lord's salvation;

Baptized into the death of Christ,

He is a new creation.

Through Christ's redemption he shall stand

Among the glorious heavenly band

Of every tribe and nation.

2. With one accord, O God, we pray:

Grant us Thy Holy Spirit;

Look Thou on our infirmity

Through Jesus' blood and merit.

Grant us to grow in grace each day

That by this Sacrament we may

Eternal life inherit.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

"If the LORD wills, we will do this or that." James 4:15

WELCOME EVERYONE! We pray that God's Word and our worship today will help you grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus. We ask our visitors to please sign our guest book. If you are looking for a church home, we hope you've found it with us. Ask our Pastor about a free Bible study he offers to explain what we believe and teach. Where and when? Your convenience.

BAPTISM: We welcome the newest member of Mt. Zion: Sophia Lynn Ryan, born December 31, the daughter of Carl and Michelle Ryan, is born again today of water and the Word. In this Sacrament, the Holy Spirit gives Sophia the gift of saving faith in the Good Shepherd Jesus Christ, thereby washing Sophia of her sins and declaring her a dear child of the heavenly Father, a member of the Holy Christian Church, and an heir of eternal life. God is good!

LUNCHEON: The family of Carl, Michelle, and Sophia Ryan invite all in attendance to a celebratory luncheon in the church basement fellowship hall, following the service. Hope you can stick around for food and fellowship!

THE 1st QUARTER VOTERS MEETING is scheduled for next Sunday, January 16 at 11am. 2021 Board Chairmen are asked to please submit their annual reports to 2021 President Randy Wittorp ASAP so that he can compile the congregation's annual report for the meeting.

CLC CALL NEWS: Pastor Luke Bernthal of St. Stephen Lutheran Churches, Mt. View, CA, Stockton, CA, and Hayward, CA, ***has received the call*** to Immanuel Lutheran Church, Winter Haven, FL. <> Mr. Nathan Wales of Columbia, SC, ***is still considering*** the call to Grace Lutheran School, Sleepy Eye, MN, to serve as principal and teacher for grades 5 -8, beginning with the 2022 school year. + ILC Professor John Ude ***is still considering*** the call to be the pastor of Living Savior Lutheran Church, Eden Prairie, MN.

YOU'RE INVITED: The members of Faith Lutheran Church of Manchester, MO would invite you to join them in the installation of their new pastor, Sam Rodebaugh, on January 23, 2022, at the regular service time 10am. Pastor Neal Radichel will be the liturgist and perform the installation. A dinner will follow the service. If you plan on attending please inform Pastor Radichel at the following email address: neal.radichel@immanuelmankato.org.

2022 CLC MISSION HELPER TRIP: The deadline for applications is Monday, January 10th. Find more information and to apply, visit the following website: mht.lutheranmissions.org/2022-east-africa.

SERVING US THIS WEEK

January Usher: _____ <> Church Cleaning: Fobears

OUR RESPONSE TO THE GOSPEL *2022 Offering Budget to be set @ next week's Q1 Meeting

Worship Attendance Last Sunday = 23 <> Bible Class/Sunday School = 15

Bi-Weekly Offerings Needed:	\$X,XXX.XX*	Total Offerings Needed YTD:	\$XX,XXX.XX*
Bi-Weekly Offerings Received:	N/A	Total Offerings Received YTD:	N/A
Missions Offerings YTD (includes 10% of GB & individual offerings):			N/A
Maisie Wittorp Christian Education Memorial Fund:			\$1,925.00

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES AT MT. ZION

Tue. 1/11	7pm	Board of Elders Meeting
	7:30pm	Church Council Meeting
	8:00pm	Board of Christian Ed. Meeting
	8:30pm	Outreach Committee Meeting
Sun. 1/16	9am	Bible Class / Sunday School
	10am	Worship
	11am	Q1 Voters Meeting
Sun. 1/30	4pm	Cleveland Area Worship Service

IN OUR PRAYERS <> ENCOURAGEMENT LIST

Ephesians 6:18 "Be alert and always keep on praying for all the Lord's people."

Jackie McGruder remains homebound as she continues to suffer from lupus. **Denise Troyan's** sister, Amy, is receiving treatment for cancer. **Dave Troyan's** mother, Lois, was in a serious car accident several months ago, breaking her ankle, and suffering trauma to the brain. **The Naumanns** are expecting a newborn baby in June 2022.