

The First Sunday After the Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord January 12, 2025 10:30 am

#### Welcome to Immanuel!

Whether you're here every week or you're visiting for the first time, we're glad you're with us! Jesus is with us this morning, and we pray you will become aware of his presence as we worship together.

#### About the Liturgy

Our Anglican liturgy is ancient and contemporary, shaped by generations of faithful worshipers. Notice the flow to the service: We are *gathered* together; We *listen* to the Word; We *respond* in prayer and confession; We *give* ourselves to God and God *gives* himself to us

in Holy Communion; God *sends* us into the world to live with Him for the sake of others

the sake of others.

All baptized believers are welcome to receive Holy Communion. Standing or kneeling at the altar rail, place one hand in the palm of the other. After the Priest gives you the Bread, hold it until the Lay Eucharistic Minister tilts the Chalice toward you. Intinct (dip) the Bread into the Wine, then place the wafer in your mouth. If you prefer not to intinct the Bread, simply place the wafer in your mouth immediately after receiving it and bow your head. You may cross your arms across your chest as an indication you do not wish to receive, and a prayer of blessing will be offered for you instead. Gluten-free wafers are available upon request.

#### About Children

Children are welcome at all services at Immanuel. Their whispers and wiggles are fine with us, but if they (or you!) need a break, we offer a professionally staffed nursery for infants through preschool-aged children during our Sunday morning service. Children who are in kindergarten through 5th grade begin worship with their family, then go to Children's Church before the reading of Scripture. They will return during the Peace to receive Communion with their family. See the children's check-in desk in the hallway or ask an usher for directions.

#### To Learn More

We would love to get to know you, so please join us for coffee and snacks after the service. If you would like more information about Immanuel, fill out the Connection Card attached to the bulletin and place it in the offering plate when it is passed. You can also join our email list by sending a request to office@iachurch.org.

# IMMANUEL ANGLICAN CHURCH

God with Us for the Sake of Others

Holy Eucharist 10:30am January 12, 2025

# The First Sunday of Epiphany The Baptism of Our Lord

Please stand at the ringing of the bell

# Processional Hymn

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Cold on his cradle the dew-drops are shining, low lies his head with the beasts of the stall; angels adore him in slumber reclining, Maker and Monarch and Savior of all.

Shall we then yield him, in costly devotion, odors of Edom, and offerings divine, gems of the mountain, and pearls of the ocean, myrrh from the forest, and gold from the mine?

Brightest and Best

Vainly we offer each ample oblation, vainly with gifts would his favor secure, richer by far is the heart's adoration, dearer to God are the prayers of the poor.

Brightest and best of the stars of the morning, dawn on our darkness, and lend us thine aid; star of the east, the horizon adorning, guide where our infant Redeemer is laid.

Words: Reginald Heber (1783–1826), alt. Music: Morning Star, James Proctor Harding (1850–1911) Meter: 11 10. 11 10

# **Opening Acclamation**

Celebrant I will make you as a light for the nations, **People** That my salvation may reach to the end of the earth. Isaiah 49:6

## **Collect for Purity**

The Celebrant and People pray

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

# Summary of the Law

Hear what our Lord Jesus Christ says: You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets. Matthew 22:37-40

# The Kyrie

The Celebrant and People pray

Lord, have mercy upon us. **Christ, have mercy upon us**. Lord, have mercy upon us.

The Gloria, sung together with everyone standing

Glory to God in the highest, and peace to his people on earth.
Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory.
Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer.
For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

CelebrantThe Lord be with you.PeopleAnd with your spirit.CelebrantLet us pray.

Eternal Father, at the baptism of Jesus you revealed him to be your Son, and your Holy Spirit descended upon him like a dove: Grant that we, who are born again by water and the Spirit, may be faithful as your adopted children; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# Dismissal of the Children

Children and their teachers come to the center for a blessing, then go to Children's Church

The Children's Song

Lord, take our children Lord, give them freedom Lord, send Your Spirit upon them (repeat) Like arrows from a mighty warrior Like arrows flaming in the darkness Send Your Light into the night May Jesus Christ be glorified In our children, through our children

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# Please be seated for the reading of God's Holy Word.

# The First Reading

Isaiah 42:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Behold 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.
<sup>2</sup> He will not cry aloud or lift up his voice, or make it heard in the street;
<sup>3</sup> a bruised reed he will not break, and a faintly burning wick he will not quench;

he will faithfully bring forth justice.

<sup>4</sup> He will not grow faint or be discouraged till he has established justice in the earth; and the coastlands wait for his law.

<sup>5</sup> Thus 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:

<sup>6</sup> "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,

<sup>7</sup> to open the eyes that are blind,
to bring out the prisoners from the dungeon,
from the prison those who sit in darkness.
<sup>8</sup> I am the Lord; that is my name;
my glory I give to no other,
nor my praise to carved idols.
<sup>9</sup> Behold, the former things have come to pass,
and new things I now declare;
before they spring forth

I tell you of them."

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

# Psalm 89:19-29

<sup>19</sup> Of old you spoke in a vision to your godly one, and said: "I have granted help to one who is mighty; I have exalted one chosen from the people.
<sup>20</sup> I have found David, my servant; with my holy oil I have anointed him,
<sup>21</sup> so that my hand shall be established with him; my arm also shall strengthen him.
<sup>22</sup> The enemy shall not outwit him; the wicked shall not humble him.
<sup>23</sup> I will crush his foes before him and strike down those who hate him.
<sup>24</sup> My faithfulness and my steadfast love shall be with him, and in my name shall his horn be exalted.

- <sup>25</sup> I will set his hand on the sea and his right hand on the rivers.
- <sup>26</sup> He shall cry to me, 'You are my Father, my God, and the Rock of my salvation.'

 <sup>27</sup> And I will make him the firstborn, the highest of the kings of the earth.
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- <sup>28</sup> My steadfast love I will keep for him forever, and my covenant will stand firm for him.
- <sup>29</sup> I will establish his offspring forever and his throne as the days of the heavens.

# The Second Reading

# Acts 10:34-38

<sup>34</sup> So Peter opened his mouth and said: "Truly I understand that God shows no partiality, <sup>35</sup> but in every nation anyone who fears him and does what is right is acceptable to him. <sup>36</sup> As for the word that he sent to Israel, preaching good news of peace through Jesus Christ (he is Lord of all), <sup>37</sup> you yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: <sup>38</sup> how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him.

ReaderThe Word of the Lord.PeopleThanks be to God.

All stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Gradual

Open the Eyes of my Heart

Open the eyes of our hearts Lord Open the eyes of our hearts We want to see You We want to see You

To see You high and lifted up Shining in the light of Your glory Pour out Your power and love As we sing holy holy holy

Holy holy holy Holy holy holy Holy holy holy We want to see You

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The Gospel

Luke 3:15-22

*Priest* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke.*People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

<sup>15</sup> As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, <sup>16</sup> 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 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 the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire."

<sup>18</sup> So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. <sup>19</sup> But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother's wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, <sup>20</sup> added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

<sup>21</sup> Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were 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 beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

Priest	The Gospel of the Lord.
People	Praise to you, Lord Christ.

Gradual

Instrumental

Sermon

Father Travis Hines

The Nicene Creed

All stand to recite the Nicene Creed, the Priest first saying

Let us confess our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

Celebrant and People

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, visible and invisible.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate from the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# The Prayers of the People

Please kneel or sit as we pray together

Let us pray for the Church and for the world, saying, "Hear our prayer."

For the peace of the whole world, and for the well-being and unity of the people of God.

Reader Lord, in your mercy *People Hear our prayer.* 

For Steve, our Archbishop, Chris, our Bishop, and for all the Clergy and people of our Diocese, especially St. Barnabas Anglican Church, Towson, MD, St. Brendan's in the City, Washington DC, and for our Congregation.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who proclaim the Gospel at home and abroad; and for all who teach and disciple others, especially our missionary partners Catherine, Yvonne, and Life First Pregnancy Centers.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For our brothers and sisters in Christ who are persecuted for their faith, especially the body of Christ Jesus in Turkey, Mexico, and Cameroon.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For our nation, for those in authority, and for all in public service, especially our President Joe Biden, our President-elect Donald Trump, our Governor Glenn Youngkin, and those serving on our local boards and councils.

Reader	Lord, in your mercy
People	Hear our prayer.

For those charged with the protection of our nation and communities and their families: especially Thomas Ankers, David Brady, Derick Clottey, Austin Dixon, Beau Dixon, Gene Douglas, John Ellerbe IV, Devon Fisk, Eric Forbes, Lynnea Gedney, Gavin Cody-Harpster, Jesse Hines, Chris Iber, Dylan McElroy, Drew McGinley, Daniel McGrath, Andrew Rucker, and Matthew Surdam.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For all whose lives are closely linked with ours, especially Jerry and Rose Fitzsimmons; Rory, Shea, Henry, Jack and Mary Millette; Yvonne North; Andrew, Kathy, Jesse and AJ Oravetz; Steve and Heidi Raeder; Kirby and Linda Walls; Bryan and Karen Zwanzig; and grant that we may serve Christ in them and love one another as he loves us.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

For all those who are in trouble, sorrow, need, sickness, or any other adversity, especially Buck Brill, Elizabeth Cheatham, William Clottey, Patricia Colassard, Sonia Dominguez, Ingrid Farrell, Dale Finney, Jeremiah Habersat, Jayson Hankins, Bill Harding, Glenn Jantzen, William Johnston, Shirley Kapusciarz, Art Mann, Linda Martin, Clancy McQuigg, Isaac Morlu, Liane Murch, William Myers, Andy Oravetz, Norm Pollack, Cathy Riddle, Mike Stirling, Bob Surdam, Dean Tony, Linda Walls, and Tom Watson. Are there others for whom we should pray...?

Reader	Lord, in your mercy
People	Hear our prayer.

For all those who have departed this life in the certain hope of the resurrection, especially Mary Barlow, the mother of Vickie Morse, in thanksgiving let us pray.

ReaderLord, in your mercyPeopleHear our prayer.

# The Celebrant prays

Heavenly Father, grant these our prayers for the sake of Jesus Christ, our only Mediator and Advocate, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# The Confession and Absolution of Sin

Priest Let us humbly confess our sins unto Almighty God.

Silence may be kept

The Celebrant and People together pray

Most merciful God, we confess that 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.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us; that we may delight in your will, and walk in your ways, to the glory of your Name. Amen.

# The Celebrant says

Almighty God, our heavenly Father, who in his great mercy has promised forgiveness of sins to all those who sincerely repent and with true faith turn to him, have mercy upon you, pardon and deliver you from all your sins, confirm and strengthen you in all goodness, and bring you to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. *Amen.* 

## The Peace

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.*People* And with your spirit.

#### Announcements

# Birthday and Anniversary Prayer

The Celebrant and People together pray.

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up when they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

# The Offertory

Celebrant

Let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.

Matthew 5:16

Michelle Wheeler

Some Children See Him

The Priest prepares the Holy Table for the Celebration, as our gifts of bread and wine and money are brought forward as a grateful offering to God.

The people stand as the following is sung.

Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow Praise Him all creatures here below Praise Him above ye heavenly hosts Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost Amen. Celebrant All things come from you, O Lord, **People** And of your own have we given you.

# The Sursum Corda

The Lord be with you. <i>And with your spirit.</i>
Lift up your hearts. <i>We lift them up to the Lord.</i>
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. <i>It is right to give him thanks and praise.</i>

# The Celebrant continues

It is right, our duty and our joy, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who took on our mortal flesh to reveal his glory; that he might bring us out of darkness and into his own glorious light. Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:

# The Sanctus

Celebrant and People

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

## The Prayer of Consecration

The people may be seated.

## The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and when we had sinned against you and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent your only Son Jesus Christ into the world for our salvation. By the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary he became flesh and dwelt among us. In obedience to your will, he stretched out his arms upon the Cross and offered himself once for all, that by his suffering and death we might be saved. By his resurrection he broke the bonds of death, trampling Hell and Satan under his feet. As our great high priest, he ascended to your right hand in glory, that we might come with confidence before the throne of grace.

On the night that he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus Christ 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."

Likewise, after supper, Jesus took the cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink this, all of you; for this is my Blood of the New Covenant, which is shed for you, and for many, for the forgiveness of sins: Whenever you drink it, do this in remembrance of me."

Therefore, we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Celebrant and People

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving, and we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Word and Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Sanctify us also, that we may worthily receive this holy Sacrament, and be made one body with him, that he may dwell in us and we in him. In the fullness of time, put all things in subjection under your Christ, and bring us with all your saints into the joy of your heavenly kingdom, where we shall see our Lord face to face.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **Amen.** 

# The Lord's Prayer

The Celebrant then says

And now as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to pray.

Celebrant and People together pray

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### The Fraction

The Celebrant breaks the consecrated Bread.

Celebrant Alleluia. Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed, once for all, upon the cross.*People Therefore let us keep the feast.* Alleluia.

# The Ministration of Communion

#### Celebrant

The gifts of God for the people of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

The Ministers receive the Sacrament, and then immediately deliver it to the people.

Prayer Ministers are available in the back corners of the Nave to pray with you after you have received communion.

#### **Communion Songs**

How firm a foundation, ye saints of the Lord, is laid for your faith in his excellent word! What more can he say than to you he hath said, to you that for refuge to Jesus have fled?

"Fear not, I am with thee; O be not dismayed! For I am thy God, and will still give thee aid; I'll strengthen thee, help thee, and cause thee to stand, upheld by my righteous, omnipotent hand.

"When through the deep waters I call thee to go, the rivers of woe shall not thee overflow; for I will be with thee, thy troubles to bless, and sanctify to thee thy deepest distress.

"When through fiery trials thy pathway shall lie, my grace, all-sufficient, shall be thy supply; the flame shall not hurt thee; I only design thy dross to consume, and thy gold to refine.

"The soul that to Jesus hath fled for repose, I will not, I will not desert to its foes; that soul, though all hell shall endeavor to shake, I'll never, no, never, no, never forsake."

Words: K. in John Rippon's Selection, 1787, alt. Music: Lyons, att. Johann Michael Haydn (1737–1806); desc. Lois Fyfe (b. 1927)

Christ When for us You Were Baptised

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.

God called you his belovèd Son, called you his servant true, sent you his kingdom to proclaim, his holy will to do.

Straightway and steadfast until death you then obeyed his call freely as Son of Man to serve and 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.

Words: F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984), rev.Music: Caithness, melody from The Psalmes of David in Prose and Meeter, 1635; harm. The English Hymnal, 1906

#### The Post Communion Prayer

After Communion, the Celebrant says

Let us pray.

Celebrant and People

Heavenly Father,

We thank you for feeding us with the spiritual food of the most precious Body and Blood of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ; and for assuring us in these holy mysteries that we are living members of the body of your Son, and heirs of your eternal Kingdom.

And now, Father, send us out to do the work you have given us to do,

to love and serve you as faithful witnesses of Christ our Lord. To him, to you, and to the Holy Spirit,

be honor and glory, now and for ever. Amen.

- *Celebrant*: N., we now send you out to share Communion this week with those unable to be here. Carry the prayers of all of us as you take this sacrament of Christ's presence.
- People: We who are many are one body, because we share one bread, one cup. Amen

The Celebrant continues with the blessing

Christ the Sun of Righteousness shine upon you, and scatter the darkness from before your path; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the son, and the Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen**.

# Concluding Hymn

Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

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.

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.

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.

Manifest on mountain height, shining in resplendent light, where disciples filled with awe thy transfigured glory saw. When from there thou leddest them steadfast to Jerusalem, cross and Easter Day attest God in man made manifest.

Words:Sts. 1–3, Christopher Wordsworth (1807–1885); st. 4, F. Bland Tucker (1895–1984)Music:Salzburg, melody Jakob Hintze (1622–1702); harm. Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Priest Alleluia! Alleluia! Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.*People Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Alleluia!* 

#### NOTES

# Meet Immanuel's Vestry

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At the center of our logo stands the cross, signifying the centrality of Jesus – his life, death, resurrection, and ascension drawing us into **life with God**.

Three rings encircle the cross, conveying how we experience and express, "God with us for the sake of others":



God in us

We gather to worship God and are sent out to honor him in every aspect of our lives.

We cultivate spiritual growth through engaging God's Word, spiritual disciples, and community.



We share God's love with others through evangelism, compassion ministries, and prayer.

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