## **Immanuel Lutheran Church**

# Sunday Worship – Epiphany 2B

Sunday, January 17, 2021

#### WELCOME

#### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.** 

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of  $\pm$  Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.** 

### **GATHERING HYMN**

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#### **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.** 

## **HYMN OF PRAISE**

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## PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

Thanks be to you, Lord Jesus Christ, most merciful redeemer, for the countless blessings and benefits you give. May we know you more clearly, love you more dearly, and follow you more nearly, day by day praising you, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

#### WORD

# FIRST READING

# 1 Samuel 3:1-10 (NRSV)

<sup>3.1</sup>Now the boy Samuel was ministering to the Lord under Eli. The word of the Lord was rare in those days; visions were not widespread.

<sup>2</sup>At that time Eli, whose eyesight had begun to grow dim so that he could not see, was lying down in his room; <sup>3</sup>the lamp of God had not yet gone out, and Samuel was lying down in the temple of the Lord, where the ark of God was. <sup>4</sup>Then the Lord called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" <sup>5</sup>and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. <sup>6</sup>The Lord called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." <sup>7</sup>Now Samuel did not yet know the Lord, and the word of the Lord had not yet been revealed to him. <sup>8</sup>The Lord called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the Lord was calling the boy. <sup>9</sup>Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

<sup>10</sup>Now the Lord came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

The Word of the Lord **Thanks be to God!** 

## **PSALM**

# Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18 (ELW)

<sup>139.1</sup>Lord, you have | searched me out; O Lord, you | have known me.

<sup>2</sup>You know my sitting down and my | rising up; you discern my thoughts | from afar.

<sup>3</sup>You trace my journeys and my | resting-places and are acquainted with | all my ways.

<sup>4</sup>Indeed, there is not a word | on my lips, but you, O Lord, know it | altogether. R

<sup>5</sup>You encompass me, behind | and before, and lay your | hand upon me.

<sup>6</sup>Such knowledge is too wonder- | ful for me; it is so high that I cannot at- | tain to it.

<sup>13</sup>For you yourself created my | inmost parts; you knit me together in my | mother's womb.

<sup>14</sup>I will thank you because I am mar- | velously made; your works are wonderful, and I | know it well. R

<sup>15</sup>My body was not hid- | den from you,

while I was being made in secret and woven in the depths | of the earth.

<sup>16</sup>Your eyes beheld my limbs, yet unfinished in the womb; all of them were written | in your book;

my days were fashioned before they | came to be.

<sup>17</sup>How deep I find your | thoughts, O God!

How great is the | sum of them!

<sup>18</sup>If I were to count them, they would be more in number | than the sand; to count them all, my life span would need to | be like yours. **R** 

#### **HOLY GOSPEL:**

The Holy Gospel, according to St Luke, the 1st Chapter Glory to You, O Lord

# John 1:43-51 (NRSV)

<sup>43</sup>The next day Jesus decided to go to Galilee. He found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." <sup>44</sup>Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. <sup>45</sup>Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found him about whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus son of Joseph from Nazareth." <sup>46</sup>Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." <sup>47</sup>When Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward him, he said of him, "Here is truly an Israelite in whom there is no deceit!" <sup>48</sup>Nathanael asked him, "Where did you get to know me?" Jesus answered, "I saw you under the fig tree before Philip called you." <sup>49</sup>Nathanael replied, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" <sup>50</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you believe because I told you that I saw you under the fig tree? You will see greater things than these." <sup>51</sup>And he said to him, "Very truly, I tell you, you will see heaven opened and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

The Gospel of the Lord. **Thanks Be to God!** 

**SERMON** 

### **HYMN OF THE DAY**

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## **APOSTLES CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again: he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come 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.

#### **OFFERING**

#### **OFFERING HYMN**

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## **OFFERING PRAYER**

Let us pray.

O God, receive these gifts as you receive us: like a mother receives her child, with arms open wide. Nourish us anew in your tender care, and empower us in faithful service to tend to others with this same love, through Jesus Christ, our saving grace **Amen.** 

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Guided by Christ made known to the nations, let us offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all people in need. (*A brief silence*.)

For the body of Christ gathered throughout the world and for all servants of the gospel, that following Jesus, the church lives out its calling every day, let us pray. **Have mercy, O God.** 

For the well-being of creation, for plants and animals, and for all that God has marvelously made, that we serve as wise stewards of Earth, our home, let us pray. **Have mercy**, **O God**.

For police officers and firefighters, for attorneys and paralegals, for peacekeepers and military personnel, and for the leaders of governments, that they provide protection to all people, especially the most vulnerable, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For those lacking food or shelter, for those who are sick or grieving, and for those who are imprisoned or homebound especially,

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that God console all who suffer, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

For our neighborhood, for visitors joining us for the first time or returning, and for those absent from our assembly, that all who seek to know God are nourished by word and sacrament, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

In thanksgiving for the saints who have gone before us, that their lives give us a vision of the gospel in action, let us pray.

Have mercy, O God.

Merciful God, hear the prayers of your people, spoken or silent, for the sake of the one who dwells among us, your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.** 

#### LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray together as Jesus taught us.

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.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Tuesday Night at Immanuel: A Child Called Immanuel Isaiah 7.10-17
- Committee Night this week check with your committee chairs for day & time
- Annual Meeting next Sunday after worship

## **BENEDICTION**

God the creator strengthen you; Jesus the beloved fill you; and the Holy Spirit the comforter + keep you in peace.

Amen.

# **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Be the light of Christ. **Thanks be to God.** 

#### SENDING HYMN

ELW 310 Songs of Faithfulness (Page 12 of this bulletin)

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# In Christ Called to Baptize



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# Glory to God in the Highest



# Here I Am, Lord

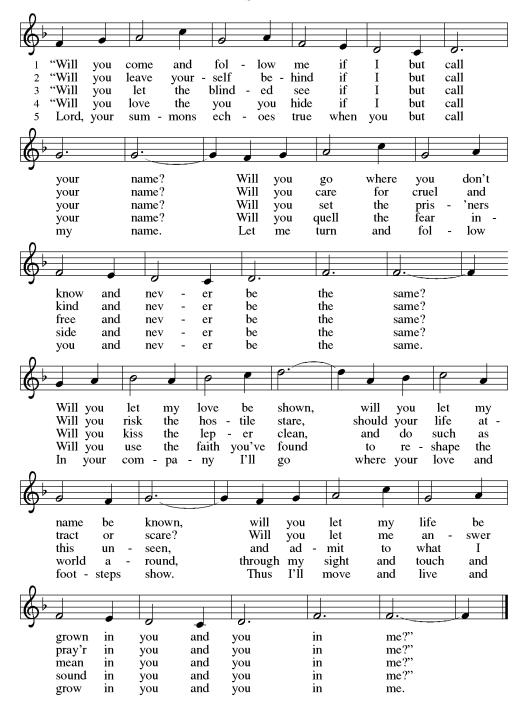


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# Will You Come and Follow Me

## The Summons



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# Songs of Thankfulness and Praise



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