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**Thanks** for worshiping with us this evening. Your presence is your gift to us. We pray that our Service of Word and Sacrament is a blessing to you. Sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever we are praising, proclaiming and practicing Emmanuel – God with us – in daily life! May the Light of Epiphany shine bright in our hearts!

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## **The Prayers**

A: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

*a brief silence*

A: For the baptized, that united with Christ in His death we may daily die to sin and rise with Him, set free from the dominion of sin and death, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the nations of the world still in darkness, that the Spirit would bring them life and light through the preaching of the Gospel and call them to the waters of the new creation, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For those who serve in the Office of the Ministry, that all their preaching and teaching may faithfully point to the Mightier One with zeal, as did St. John the Baptist, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For all who make, administer and judge the laws of our land, that they be given wisdom, integrity and honor to serve according to God’s good will, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the lonely and homebound; the grieving and dying; and all who are afflicted in body, mind or spirit, [and especially for...NAMES] that Christ would be their companion in solitude, their comfort in sorrow, their health in sickness and their life in death, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For all who will partake tonight of the Holy Eucharist, that they be given grace to approach the altar with humility and faith, and so be strengthened by the Savior’s body and blood to live as children of the day, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

A: For the faithful departed who rest now in Christ, let us give God our thanks and praise, and ask Him to grant us our portion with the saints in light on the joyous day of Christ’s appearing, let us pray to the Lord:

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

P: Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

***Psalm 29—responsively***

L: Ascribe to the LORD, O heavenly beings, ascribe to the LORD glory and strength.

**C: Ascribe to the LORD the glory due his name; worship the LORD in the splendor of holiness.**

L: The voice of the LORD is over the waters; the God of glory thunders, the LORD, over many waters.

**C: The voice of the LORD is powerful; the voice of the LORD is full of majesty.**

L: The voice of the LORD breaks the cedars; the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon.

**C: He makes Lebanon to skip like a calf, and Sirion like a young wild ox.**

L: The voice of the LORD flashes forth flames of fire.

**C: The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness; the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh.**

L: The voice of the LORD makes the deer give birth and strips the forests bare, and in his temple all cry, “Glory!”

**C: The LORD sits enthroned over the flood; the LORD sits enthroned as king forever.**

L: May the LORD give strength to his people!

**C: May the LORD bless his people with peace!**

***WORSHIP SERVANTS Tonight:***

Organist: Scott Schilbe

Scripture Reader & Prayers: Vicky Mulvihill

Communion Server: Jenna Serr

Ushers: Bob Mulvihill & Darald Bothun

Acolyte: Emma Matzke

Sound: Don Holtan

Treats: Leitha Bothun

Coffee: Peg Holtan

Set-Up: Julie Steffenson

Take-Down: Janet Sunde & Friends



**Worship—Eve of  
The Baptism of  
Our Lord  
January 6, 2018  
6:00 p.m.**

**Lutheran Book of Worship—Setting II**

*\* indicates stand as you are able*

Prelude

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P: Let us pray. Heavenly Father, the Spirit revealed Jesus as your beloved Son at his baptism in the river Jordan. Through our own baptism you call us your children and draw us into abundant and eternal life through Jesus. May the Spirit grant us rebirth and daily transform us into those who reveal your love to the world; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C: Amen.**

First Lesson: Genesis 1:1-5

**Psalm 29** **Bulletin Page 4**

Second Lesson: Romans 6:1-11

\*Gospel Acclamation: “Alleluia” Page 83

\*Holy Gospel: Mark 1:4-11

Children’s Message: “God Said So!”

**Sermon Hymn: “To Jordan Came” (Verses 1-4)** **#79**

Sermon: “Baptized by God — Torn Apart” Rev. Dave Steffenson

**\*Hymn of the Day: “To Jordan Came” (Verses 5-7)** **#79**

**Enrollment for membership at Emmanuel Lutheran in 2018 is now open.** Complete a Discipleship Membership Covenant and give it to Pastor Dave before the January 17 Council Meeting. **MARKS OF DISCIPLESHIP:** Signposts guide our way—Disciples seek to pray daily, worship weekly, grow spiritually, read and study Scripture on a regular basis, serve others, share the good news, and give & live generously. 55 signed covenants have already been received!

**Thrivent Choice Dollars.** Thanks to all of our members and supporters who have designated Emmanuel as a recipient of their Thrivent Choice Dollars. In 2017 we received over \$695 in Choice Dollars. Don't forget that Thrivent members can also apply for Thrivent Action Team Grants of \$250. In 2017 we received eight Action Team Grants. Visit with Julie Steffenson, if you have any questions about these ministry opportunities.

**Saturday School & G.I.F.T.** — G.I.F.T. and Saturday School meet weekly on Saturday nights at 5:10pm. During the month of January, Julie will be teaching our little ones Bible Stories for the Season of Epiphany. Pastor Dave will be teaching grades 3-8 a class on Creation & Fall, using C.S. Lewis' book, "The Magician's Nephew". The Adults will be discussing the "Truth about Islam".

**Narnia Movie & Acolyte Training:** Youth in grades 3-10 are serving Emmanuel as candle lighters for worship. Pastor Dave will be hosting an Acolyte Training Session on Sunday, January 14 at 3pm. The afternoon will begin with a viewing of the movie, "The Lion, the Witch & the Wardrobe" in the home of Pastor Dave & Julie. Youth will enjoy pizza, chips, soda, and Turkish Delight, & then discuss the role of an acolyte. Parents can pick their youth up at 6:30pm. We are hoping to receive a Thrivent Action Team Grant in 2018 for the purchase of acolyte robes for use by our youth in worship.

**Men's Morning Bible Study:** In 2018, we will be focusing our studies on a couple of key books of the Bible. We'll begin with the Book of Acts on Tuesday, January 9, and discuss weekly the gift of Witnessing in Daily Life. Men will continue to meet on Tuesday mornings at Oasis Church (8am) for conversation & coffee.

## **Genesis 1:1-5 — Let There Be Light**

1 In the beginning, God created the heavens and the earth. 2 The earth was without form and void, and darkness was over the face of the deep. And the Spirit of God was hovering over the face of the waters. 3 And God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. 4 And God saw that the light was good. And God separated the light from the darkness. 5 God called the light Day, and the darkness he called Night. And there was evening and there was morning, the first day.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

## **Romans 6:1-11 — Walk in Newness of Life**

1 What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? 2 By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? 3 Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? 4 We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. 5 For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. 6 We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. 7 For one who has died has been set free from sin. 8 Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. 9 We know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. 10 For the death he died he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. 11 So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

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## Gospel Reading—Mark 1:4-11

P: The Holy Gospel According to St. Mark the 1st Chapter.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

4 John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. 5 And all the country of Judea and all Jerusalem were going out to him and were being baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. 6 Now John was clothed with camel's hair and wore a leather belt around his waist and ate locusts and wild honey. 7 And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. 8 I have baptized you with water, but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." 9 In those days Jesus came from Nazareth of Galilee and was baptized by John in the Jordan. 10 And when he came up out of the water, immediately he saw the heavens being torn open and the Spirit descending on him like a dove. 11 And a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

**Communication Cards/Offering Envelopes:** The offering envelope, in your bulletin is also being used as visitor and communication card. If you are visiting with us, please know that your presence is your gift to us. We have a very generous congregation & ask only that you share your contact information with us. Members and visitors may use the communication envelopes to indicate a desire for a pastoral visit, a prayer concern, or changes in contact information. Envelopes may be placed in the offering basket. Thanks.

**Women's Bible Study Groups:** Women are meeting on Thursdays at 1pm at Oasis Church to study the Book of Acts. Our Next Sessions will be: January 11 (Paul's Arrest & Trial; Acts 21-24); & January 25 (Paul's Defense before Festus & Agrippa; Acts 25-26). "**Lady Light**" is looking at "Holy Christian Marriage and Family" through the lens of Scripture & the lives of Martin Luther and his wife Katie. Lady Light meets at the home of Katie Siebenaler once a month at 6:30pm. Session 5: Thursday, Jan. 18.

# The Emmanuel Weekly

## Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018 Baptism of our Lord — 6 pm

*"Praising, Proclaiming and Practicing  
Emmanuel—God with us—in daily life!"*

### **Thank You!**

*Pastor Dave & Julie are offering  
thanks to the members of Emmanuel  
for their generosity during the holidays  
and their love & prayers throughout  
the year. The greeting cards, gifts and  
plants were amazing!*

### **Happy New Year 2018!**

*May God grant you & yours a joyful  
year, filled with good health and the  
overflowing, abundant, love of Jesus!*

### **Annual Meeting**

*This Year's Emmanuel Lutheran  
Church Annual Meeting will be held on  
Saturday, Jan. 27, at 3:30pm, followed  
by a potluck meal at 4:45pm. Child  
Care will be provided. Meat and  
beverages will also be provided.  
Please bring a dish (salad, side dish  
or dessert) to share. Worship will  
follow the meal at 6pm.*

**January Emmanuel Prayer Calendar &  
Epistle Newsletter are available in  
print! Also, pick up your copy of the  
current "Our Daily Bread" Devotional.**



## CALENDAR ITEMS

- Saturday, January 6  
G.I.F.T. & Saturday  
School at 5:10pm;  
Baptism of Our Lord  
Worship at 6pm
- Tuesday, January 2  
Men's Bible Study at  
8am; Text Study at  
10:30am
- Thursday, January 11  
Women's Bible Study  
(1pm)
- Sat., Jan. 13—G.I.F.T.  
and Saturday School  
at 5:10pm; Epiphany  
II Worship at 6pm
- Sunday, January 14  
Movie & Acolyte  
Training at Pastor  
Dave & Julie's house  
(3:00-6:30pm)
- Wed, Jan. 17—Church  
Council Mtg. (7pm)