

Sunday, January 9, 2022
Baptism of Our Lord
WELCOME to Emanuel's Lutheran Church!
It is our joy to have you worship with us today.



PRELUDE

"Loure"

George Friedrich Handel

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

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

C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism. We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight. Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all. We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

C: Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

"This Is the Spirit's Entry Now"

ELW 448

GREETING

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

ELW p. 101

Refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose
 2 Sing . . with all the peo - ple of God, and



blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.
 join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion:



Pow - er and rich - es, wis - dom and strength, and
 Bless - ing and hon - or, glo - ry and might be to



hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.
 God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

Refrain



3 For the Lamb who was slain has be -



gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.

Refrain

PRAYER OF THE DAY

ELW p.102

AM: Let us pray together.

C: Almighty God, you anointed Jesus at his baptism with the Holy Spirit and revealed him as your beloved Son. Keep all who are born of water and the Spirit faithful in your service, that we may rejoice to be called children of God, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

FIRST READING: Isaiah 43:1-7

L: A reading from Isaiah.

¹But now thus says the LORD, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine.

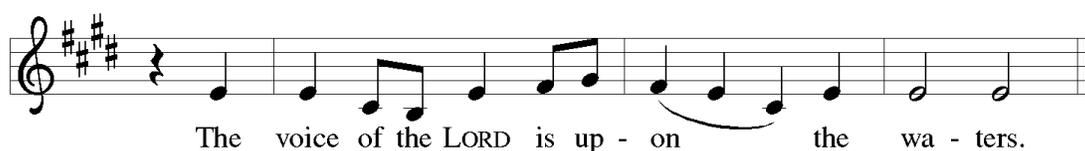
²When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall

not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. ³For I am the LORD your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Ethiopia and Seba in exchange for you. ⁴Because you are precious in my sight, and honored, and I love you, I give people in return for you, nations in exchange for your life. ⁵Do not fear, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you; ⁶I will say to the north, "Give them up," and to the south, "Do not withhold; bring my sons from far away and my daughters from the end of the earth— ⁷everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made."

C: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 29

The congregation is invited to sing the bold verses and the refrain.



¹Ascribe to the LORD, you gods,

ascribe to the LORD glo- ry and strength.

²**Ascribe to the LORD the glory due God's name;
worship the LORD in the beauty of holiness.**

³The voice of the LORD is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders;
the LORD is upon the mighty waters.

⁴**The voice of the LORD is a powerful voice;
the voice of the LORD is a voice of splendor. R**

⁵The voice of the LORD breaks the cedar trees;
the LORD breaks the cedars of Lebanon;

⁶**the LORD makes Lebanon skip like a calf,
and Mount Hermon like a young wild ox.**

⁷The voice of the LORD
bursts forth in lightning flashes.

⁸**The voice of the LORD shakes the wilderness;
the LORD shakes the wilderness of Kadesh. R**

⁹The voice of the LORD makes the oak trees writhe and strips the forests bare.
And in the temple of the LORD all are crying, "Glory!"

¹⁰**The LORD sits enthroned above the flood;
the LORD sits enthroned as king forevermore.**

¹¹O LORD, give strength to your people;
give them, O LORD, the blessings of peace. **R**

SECOND READING: Acts 8:14-17

L: A reading from Acts.

¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them. ¹⁵The two went down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit ¹⁶(for as yet the Spirit had not come upon any of them; they had only been baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus). ¹⁷Then Peter and John laid their hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL: Luke 3:15-17, 21-22

P: The holy gospel according to Luke.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹⁵As the people were filled with expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Messiah, ¹⁶John answered all of them by saying, "I baptize you with water; but one who is more powerful than I is coming; I am not worthy to untie the thong of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹⁷His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his granary; but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire." ²¹Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heaven was opened, ²²and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, "You are my Son, the Beloved; with you I am well pleased."

The gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Marcus

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Remember and Rejoice"

ELW 454

INSTALLATION OF EMANUEL'S CONGREGATION COUNCIL

NICENE CREED

ELW p. 104

AM: Let us confess the faith of the church, using the words of the Nicene Creed.

C: We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only 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; by the power of the Holy Spirit he became incarnate from 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. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the prophets.

OFFERING INFORMATION

For online giving: <https://tinyurl.com/emanuelsgiving>

Mailing Address: Emanuel’s Lutheran Church, 206 N. Travis Street Seguin, TX 78155

OFFERING PRAYER

ELW p.107

AM: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.

C: Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

ELW p.107

P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

ELW p.108

SANCTUS

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Holy”

ELW p.108

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of
 pow-er and might, heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high-est. Blessed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

ELW p.108

LORD’S PRAYER

ELW p.112

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

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

ELW p.112

P: Come to God's table. There is a place for you and enough for all.

COMMUNION

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Communion will take place via continuous line. We welcome all baptized persons to the Lord's Table who believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine. Children are also welcomed to be brought forward to receive a blessing. Participants will be offered a wafer and invited to eat with these words, "the body of Christ given for you." If you would like a gluten free wafer, please ask the pastor or communion assistant for one. They will present you with a plate where you may retrieve the wafer. Each will then step to the silver tray that contains glasses of white grape juice at the center and outer empty glasses. Please take an empty cup if you prefer wine. Lastly, participants will step the last assistant who will pour the wine and share these words, "the blood of Christ shed for you." Place your glass in the small silver bowl at the end of the first pew as you return to your seat. If you wish to come forward and not receive either element, cross your arms for a blessing.

COMMUNION SONG

ELW p.112

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a -
way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

COMMUNION HYMN "Spirit of God, Descend upon My Heart"

ELW 800

CHOIR ANTHEM

"Come, Beloved of the Master"

Susan Palo and David Cherwien

TABLE BLESSING

P: May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

ELW p.114

AM: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ.

C: Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

ELW p.114

P: God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, ☩ bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

C: Amen.

RECESSIONAL HYMN

"Christ, When for Us You Were Baptized"

ELW 304

DISMISSAL

ELW p.164

P: Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

C: Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

"Bouree"

Johann Sebastian Bach

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ALTAR FLOWERS today are placed in honor of Meredith Hernandez's 30th birthday and Mason Huser's 1st birthday by Emily Prochnow.

MUSICIANS TODAY: Jubilation Singers; Evelyn Dittmar, piano and keyboard; Jarrett Batey, violin; Thomas Engler, violin; Chris Teague guitar.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR TODAY, January 9, 2022: Preaching: Pastor Marcus; **Presiding:** Pastor Kelsie; **Assisting Minister:** Carolyn Blumberg; **Communion Assistants:** Steve Anderson, Bill Elley, Natalie Alexander, Barbara McCall; **Acolytes:** Landin Lalley, Noah Bentley, Haley Benavides; **Reader:** Darlene Zies; **Ushers:** Doug Parker, Debbie Parker, Hughlene Micheli, Karen Weinstein; **Altar Guild:** Marsha Schroeder, John Van Deusen, Faye Van Deusen, Mary Barnes; **AV/Tech:** Steve Anderson; **Council Greeter:** Sarah Kennedy; **Hospitality:** Cathy Anderson, Susan Yeatts, Judy Sagebiel.

WORSHIP LEADERS FOR SUNDAY, January 16, 2022: Preaching: Pastor Kelsie; **Presiding:** Pastor Marcus; **Assisting Minister:** Wayne Stalsworth; **Communion Assistants:** Liz Witten, Denise Hufnagl, Marsha Schroeder, Cheryl Bathge; **Acolytes:** Gavin Harrison; **Reader:** Carol Hamilton; **Ushers:** Jacqueline Springs, Rissa Springs, Ilene Cherry, Darlene Zies; **Altar Guild:** Marsha Schroeder, Denise Hufnagl, Cheryl Bathge; **AV/Tech:** Jonathan Zitelman; **Council Greeter:** Allan Bode; **Hospitality:** Gloria Hanna, Carol Hamilton, Doris Jefferies.

EMANUEL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNDAY WORSHIP is in-person, online via YouTube and our website, and aired on KWED AM 1580 radio at 10:30 a.m.

COVID-19 SAFETY UPDATE: The Congregation Council approved the following at their November meeting. **Fully vaccinated people** are not required to wear a face mask or social distance on the church campus. **Unvaccinated people** are to wear masks inside the building and maintain social distancing. These guidelines apply to all ministry groups, rentals, tenants, staff, congregants, and visitors until further notice. Please refer to the entire *Updated 2021 Covid-19 Return to Church Plan* on our website.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

SUNDAY MORNINGS

Ignite! KIDS (First Floor): Gather in the IGNITE! KIDS room in the 1st Floor Green Classroom at 10:30 a.m. on Sunday Mornings for song and Bible stories. Age groups will transition to different rooms following the gathering time then return to families in worship for Communion. **TEACHERS NEEDED.** Sign up on our Weekly E-News!

The Heritage Class (307): Augsburg Fortress Quarterly Adult Bible Study led by various class members during the winter quarter. Winter study is *Justice, Law, History*. 9:15 a.m.

Pastor Marcus' Class: (Family Life Center): "A Study of Martin Luther, the Reformation, and the Theology that Created Change." 9:00 a.m.

WEEKDAY STUDIES

- **Faith Circle** (Women's Ministry Room): Third Tuesdays at 5:30 p.m.
- **Joy Circle** (Women's Ministry Room): Second Thursday at 9:30 a.m.
- **Ladies Aid** (Women's Ministry Room): First Wednesdays at 2:00 p.m.

SHARING THE GOOD NEWS from the pen of the Mission Interpreter. Epiphany Season in the church year is wedged between Christmas and Lent, but although it is very short, the Biblical texts are revelatory. After all, an epiphany is a revelation. Consider the texts carefully, and perhaps you will find Epiphany reveals a new way to live. Read volume 2, issue 1 of *Sharing the Good News* in our Weekly E-News or a narthex copy.

ELCA GOOD GIFTS: As members of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA), we believe that God is calling us into the world – together. And with generous, loving hands, we can make a difference. ELCA Good Gifts provides critical support to meaningful ministries and programs around the world. In 2021 our Emanuel's families made donations totaling \$3,122 for the following gifts in memory and honor of friends and loved ones.

Chicks and Rooster
Entire Family Farm
many Goats
little Piglet
big Cow
lots of Honeybees
God's Global Barnyard
Water Filter
Latrine

Farmer's field school for a woman
Microloan for a woman
School fees and uniforms for 4 girls
School supplies for a child
Food for a refugee family for 1 week
Food for 2 refugee families for 1 month
Mosquito nets for 3 families
Health clinic stocked for 1 week
Blankets and Bibles

SWEET HOUR OF PRAYER: You are invited to lift in prayer our church, community, and the world every **Thursday morning at 10am**. Join us in the chapel each week for this *Sweet Hour of Prayer*.

FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP is **today, January 9th** at Noon in the Women's Ministry Room. If you are single, widowed, divorced, or simply need someone to chat with over lunch, please join us! RSVP to Donna Simmons at 379-5046.

SENIOR SOCIAL CLUB is **Thursday, January 20th** from 11:30-1:30 in the Women's Ministry Room. It's soup time! Bring a side that goes with soup like salad, bread, dessert, snacky things, etc. Donna Simmons can answer your questions at 830-379-5046.

DO YOU PLAY 42? *Experienced players* are invited to pull up a chair on **Thursdays in 2022 from 1-4pm** and join in the fun with "The 42 Crew" at Emanuel's. Contact: Alton Mattke at 433-1193.

CHRISTIAN CUPBOARD provides food and other basic need items to those living in Guadalupe County. Emanuel's has collection sites in the Narthex and the Mountain St. entrance. Most needed items include: cans of tuna and other meats; cans of fruit, veggies, beans, soup; mac & cheese; dried beans and rice; pasta and sauces; PB&J; cereal; toilet tissue, soap and egg cartons.

MAKING YOUR GRIEF COUNT is a Bereavement Support Group sponsored by Porter Loring Mortuaries. Emanuel's will host the 8-week program* facilitated by Rev. Darwin Huartson on **Sundays from 3-5pm in the Family Life Center beginning January 16th**. This program is designed to create a safe place to: embrace your grief and learn to bear it, discover how your loved one can live on into your life story, strengthen your characteristics of resilience, and plan for how you will continue to heal and live a meaningful life. *Attending all sessions is most beneficial, therefore no new participants are accepted after the second session. Please contact Donna Simmons at 830-556-3542 with questions or to register.

NEW MEMBER SUNDAY is **Sunday, January 30th**. If you, or you and your family, are interested in joining us in the mission and ministry here at Emanuel's, you are invited to reach out to Pastor Marcus for a conversation of welcome. Our next Sunday to receive new members is January 30th. This special service will include a welcoming liturgy, a time to be recognized and prayed for by the congregation, and a time for potluck following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Contact [Pastor Marcus](#) with your membership questions.

FIFTH SUNDAY POTLUCK will be on **January 30th** following worship in the Fellowship Hall. Please join us as we enjoy each other's company AND welcome our newest members. We are looking forward to tasting your favorite dishes. Don't forget to fill out a name tag and take time to say "Howdy!" to each other.

SUMMER CAMP 2022! This year, we're taking our youth to camp the week of **June 19-24, 2022**. This week encompasses **ALL PROGRAMS** whether your youth is a first-time camper (half weeks available) or a LYLE. All programs (unless choosing a half-week program) run from Sunday-Friday, with the exception of **LYLE II and III, which run for two weeks (June 19-July1)**. Please contact Pastor Kelsie for more details and information on how to sign-up!

OFFERING ENVELOPE UPDATE

We are trying something new this year in an effort to save shipping costs. Instead of mailing offering envelopes on a monthly basis, we have printed the entire year's envelopes at once. You can **pick up your offering envelopes in the narthex** over the next couple weeks. Please contact Jeni Payton if you have any questions by email jeni@elcsequin.org

EMANUEL'S MISSION STATEMENT: "To be the church God is calling us to be by declaring God's love, serving others, and embracing all."

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