



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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LBW-Lutheran Book of Worship
 WOV-With One Voice
 CH-Celebration Hymnal

Baptism of our Lord
Mission Fest 2022
January 8th, 2023

Lay Minister: Rusty Rustad
 Lay Reader: Will Bartz

Organist: Charlotte Cole
 Acolyte: Raiden Kuntz

- Prelude
- Brief Order for Confession and Forgiveness.....LBW p. 77
- Entrance Hymn: *Brightest and Best of the Stars of the Morning*.....**LBW # 84**
- The Greeting and KyrieLBW p. 78
- Hymn of Praise: *Glory to God*.....LBW p. 79
- Prayer of the Day: **Father in heaven, at the baptism of Jesus in the River Jordan you proclaimed him your beloved Son and anointed him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized into Christ faithful in their calling to be your children and inheritors with him of everlasting life; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**
- First Lesson: Isaiah 42:1-9
- Psalm 29 (read responsively).....LBW p. 228
- Second Lesson: Acts 10:34-43
- Verse: **Alleluia**... and Gospel AcclamationLBW p. 83
- Gospel Lesson: Matthew 3:13-17
- Hymn of the Day: *All Who Believe and Are Baptized*.....**LBW # 194**
- Mission Festival 2022- *Guest Speaker from Prairie Ridge: Kelly Grunhovi*
- Sermon Hymn: *We Were Baptized in Christ Jesus*.....**WOV # 698**
- The Apostles' CreedLBW p. 85
- The Collection of the Offering

- Offertory: *Create in Me*.....LBW p. 96
- Prayer and Lord's Prayer.....LBW p. 97
- The Benediction and Amen.....LBW p. 97
- Announcements
- Closing Hymn: *Thy Holy Wings*.....**WOV # 741**
- Chimes and Postlude

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Welcome to Worship! In the name of Jesus, we greet you and are glad you can share this time with us. May our worship honor God and help us proclaim the Good News of Jesus to the world. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall after worship for light refreshments and conversation.

Thank you ...to Rusty Rustad for leading our worship this morning. And to Kelly Grunhovi for speaking with us about her work at Prairie Ridge. Kelly will have brochures available and be able to answer questions in the Fellowship Hall, following service. Money given in your 2022 Mission envelope or designated as such, any loose offering or donations put into the special collection box in the Narthex, will be sent to Prairie Ridge to help with their Community Outreach programs. Thank you to our Stewardship Board (*Julie Schulz, Patti Rustad, Connie Rosenberg, and Kara Walk*) for organizing this event!

St Ansgar Rescue's Annual Fundraising event... is today from 8:00 to 1:00 at the St Ansgar High School. Drive-thru pick up is available at the Middle School entrance. The menu is pancakes, scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, fruit, orange juice, milk, and coffee. Tickets are \$4.00 for adults, \$2.00 for children 5 - 12, under 5 is free.

This Week at Emmanuel January 9 th -15 th		
Tuesday, January 10 th	7:00 p.m.	Church Council
Wednesday, January 11 th	2:00 p.m.	Bible Study with Pastor Weeg
	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
	7:00 pm	Choir
Sunday, January 15 th	9:30 am	Worship w/Pastor Weeg (<i>choir sings</i>)
(2 nd Sunday after Epiphany)	10:40 am	Fellowship, SS, Logos Legos

End of year offering: December 30th - General Fund: \$200

Offering: Sunday, January 1 st , 2023	Attendance: 58
General Fund: \$1,256 / Christmas: \$30	Building Fund: \$70
Benevolence: \$25	Campership Fund: \$50

On Thursday, January 12th... the Northwood Lions Club and LifeServe Blood Center of North Iowa will be sponsoring a blood drive, from 1:30-5:30 p.m. at the Worth County Fair Grounds Community Center. If you would like to schedule an appointment, call Bob Perry at 641-324-2252 or go online to lifeservebloodcenter.org. We really are in need of new donors!

New Offering envelopes... for 2023..have been delayed, due to production issues. We hope to have them sometime in January and Sharon will put it in the bulletin when they are ready for pick up. You may still designate your offering by marking it in your check memo, putting it in an envelope and marking it, or consider online giving. Your contributions will be recorded as usual. Thank you for your patience.

The “Prayer Chain”...is based on this promise, “For where two or three come together in my name, there am I with them.” *Matthew 18:20*. If you wish to submit a prayer request to the Prayer Chain, you may contact Pastor Weeg, Sharon in the office, or Laurie Nack Bublitz, 748-2966. If you would like to be a team member on the Prayer Chain, praying for the needs of our families and friends, contact a member of the Evangelism board: *Curt Schaub, Candi Cole, Jane Dalluge, Gloria Hackbart, or Belinda Borchardt*.



Thank You!

Thank you...to the Church Council and Congregation for the Christmas Gift. I enjoy serving as substitute Church Treasurer. Sharon is wonderful to work with and I very much appreciate her training and patience. *-Belinda Borchardt*

I want to thank...the congregation for the Christmas gift I received. I sincerely appreciated your generosity! *-Charlotte Cole*

Thank you...to Emmanuel and the council for the Christmas gift for helping out when Sharon has been away. I am glad I have been available to jump in when needed. And thanks to Sharon for doing such a great job and making it easy to be of help. *-Linda Koschmeder*

To Emmanuel Lutheran Church... for your generous contribution to our Sponsor-A-Match campaign. The funds raised will be used to establish new matches and provide ongoing match support. We are humbled by the compassion and generosity of our community as we transition into a new chapter of the mentoring program. Thank you for your continued support and choosing to donate to Bridges Mentoring. Sincerely, *Bridges Mentoring Advisory Board*

For Pastoral Care...please contact Pastor Paul Weeg at 641-381-0675. For all other concerns, you may contact the church office or Sharon Hulshizer at 641-425-7775.

If you are unable to attend our services... and wish to have a bulletin, please contact the office and Sharon can put one in your bulletin box or make arrangements to get one to you.

The date for our Annual Meeting... is **Sunday, January 22nd**, with a snow date of January 29th. The meeting will be held in the Fellowship Hall, following worship service. If you have reports to turn in to the office, please have them in no later than **Monday, January 9th**. (All board Chairpersons should submit a report.) It works best to e-mail them, remembering to send them in a word document, rather than a PDF, so that they can be manipulated to put into the report. If you have any questions, please contact the office.



Immediately following the meeting, all boards are encouraged to meet to set up their first meeting time and to determine Chairpersons and Council Representatives. This has worked well in the past. ***Please plan to attend!***

Anyone interested...in being delegates for the 2023 NALC Convocation in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, please contact Michael Cole. The dates for the convocation are August 7th -11th and Emmanuel would be able to help with registration costs and travel/motel costs as well.

The 2023 Updated lists...for monthly *Altar Guild, Counting Committee, Share Shoppe Volunteers, PA Operators*, and *Ushers* will remain the same as last year, unless the office is notified that you no longer wish to continue serving in this capacity. If you have not done so and would like to join any one of these groups, please contact the office and Sharon can assist you in signing up for a month or two and explain the duties. We can always use more volunteers to help in serving and representing our church.

