



EMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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

Interim Pastor: Pastor Paul Weeg

Lay reader: Shal Zillgitt

Organist: Charlotte Cole

Acolyte: Kenzie Sorenson

**Fourth Sunday after Epiphany
January 28th, 2024**

Prelude: "Jesus Loves Me" by William B. Bradbury, Arr. Victor Labanske

Brief Order for Confession and ForgivenessLBW p. 77

Entrance Hymn: **Rise, Shine, You People!**.....**LBW # 393**

Sacrament of Holy Baptism (See Insert)

Greeting & KyrieLBW p. 78

Hymn of Praise: *Glory to God*.....LBW p. 79

Prayer of the Day: **Oh God, you know that we cannot withstand the dangers which surround us. Strengthen us in body and spirit so that, with your help, we may be able to overcome the weakness that our sin has brought upon us; through Jesus Christ, your Son our Lord. Amen.**

The First Lesson: Deuteronomy 18:15-20

Psalm 111 (*read responsively*).....See insert

The Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

The Gospel Acclamation.....LBW p. 83

The Holy Gospel: Mark 1:21-28

The Sermon

Sermon Hymn: **Healer of Our Every Ill**.....**WOV # 738**

Apostles' Creed.....LBW p. 85

Collection of the Offering: *Noisy Offering: "Dearest Jesus, We Are Here"/ "We Praise You, Lord"* (some verses from these songs are printed in the insert-appropriate to baptism today)

The Offering Response: *Create in Me*.....LBW p. 96

The Prayer and Lord's Prayer.....LBW p. 97

Benediction and Amen.....LBW p. 97

Announcements

The Closing Hymn: **Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing** **LBW # 559**

Chimes and Postlude: *Go, My Children, with My Blessing* (verses in insert)/
Marche Aux Flambeaux by William Stickles

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Welcome to worship! We welcome you in Christ's name and are glad you can share this time with us. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall for refreshments and conversation!

Grafton Town Potluck...will be next **Sunday, February 4th**, beginning at **5 p.m.** at the **Grafton Community Center. Bring your favourite dish to share and get to know your neighbors!** Please call Abbie at 641-420-4974 with any questions.

Sharon is updating...the 2024 lists for Ushers, PA operators, Altar Guild, and Share Shoppe volunteers (*Share Shoppe coordinator is Christa Larson: 641-390-0484*). If you are no longer able to serve in these positions or wish to join one of them, please contact the office so the necessary changes can be made. The 2024 Counter schedule is made and hanging in the counting room. **Thank you to all who serve in these capacities!**

2024 offering envelopes...are in your bulletin boxes, if you have not been able to pick them up.

Copies of the Annual Report...are available in the narthex. Sharon can also make more, if needed.

Family Fun Day...will be **Sunday, February 18th** from **11 a.m. -3 p.m.** at **CST South Square** (St Ansgar). Baked Potato Bar with toppings, fruit, and dessert. Free will offering. Mini Golf-Giant games, Children's activities, and Family Style Bingo with prizes from 1-3. (*Poster is on bulletin board across from office*).

For Pastoral care... please contact Pastor Weeg at 641-381-0675, the church office, or Sharon Hulshizer at 641-425-7775.

This Week at Emmanuel January 29 th – February 4 th		
Wednesday, January 31 st	1 p.m.	Connection Group Bible Study
	4:30 p.m.	Confirmation
	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	AWANA Club
Sunday, February 4 th	9:30 a.m.	Worship w/Holy Communion
<i>Fifth Sunday after Epiphany</i>	10:40 a.m.	Fellowship
	10:40 a.m.	Sunday School

Offering: January 21st	Attendance: 78
General Fund: \$2,608	Building Fund: \$245
Benevolence: \$270	Campership: \$100 SS: \$11.00

Today we welcome into the family of God's children and our faith community, **Mattis Andrew Crail, son of Martha & Jason Crail**. Mattis was born on December 27th. His sponsors are Michael Crail and Amanda Moritz. *We pray for blessings and peace upon the family of Mattis and rejoice in God calling this precious child by name and making him His own.*

Verses to the Offering selections to be reflected upon:

Dearest Jesus, We Are Here:

*Dearest Jesus, we are here, Gladly your command obeying.
With this child we now draw near In response to your own saying
That to you it shall be given As a child and heir of heaven.*

*This is why we come to you, In our arms this infant bearing;
Lord, to us your glory show; Let this child, your mercy sharing.
In your arms be shielded ever, Yours on earth and yours forever.*

We Praise You, Lord

*We praise you that this child now shares The freedom Christ can give,
Has died to sin with Christ, and now With Christ is raised to live.*

*We praise you, Lord, that now this child Is grafted to the vine,
Is made a member of your house, And bears the cross as sign.*

*We praise you, Lord, for Jesus Christ: He loves this child we bring;
He frees, forgives, and heals us all; He lives and reigns as king.*

Verses to the Postlude selection:

Go, My Children, with My Blessing

*“Go, my children, with my blessing, never alone.
Waking, sleeping, I am with you, you are my own.
In my love's baptismal river I have made you mine forever.
Go, my children, with my blessing, you are my own.”*

*“I the Lord will bless and keep you, and give you peace.
I the Lord will smile upon you, and give you peace.
I the Lord will be your Father, Savior, Comforter and Brother.
Go, my children, I will keep you, and give you peace.”*

Psalm 111

L (1): Hallelujah!! I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart,
in the assembly of the upright in the congregation.

**C(2): Great are the deeds of the Lord!
They are studied by all who delight in them.**

L(3): His work is full of majesty and splendor,
and his righteousness endures forever.

**C(4): He makes his marvelous works to be remembered;
the LORD is gracious and full of compassion.**

L(5): He gives food to those who fear him;
he is ever mindful of his covenant.

**C(6): He has shown his people the power of his works
in giving them the lands of the nations.**

L(7): The works of his hands are faithfulness and justice;
all his commandments are sure.

**C(8): They stand fast forever and ever,
because they are done in truth and equity.**

L(9): He sent redemption to his people;
he commanded his covenant forever;
holy and awesome is his name.

**C(10): The fear of the LORD is the
beginning of wisdom;
those who act accordingly have a
good understanding.
His praise endures forever.**

