

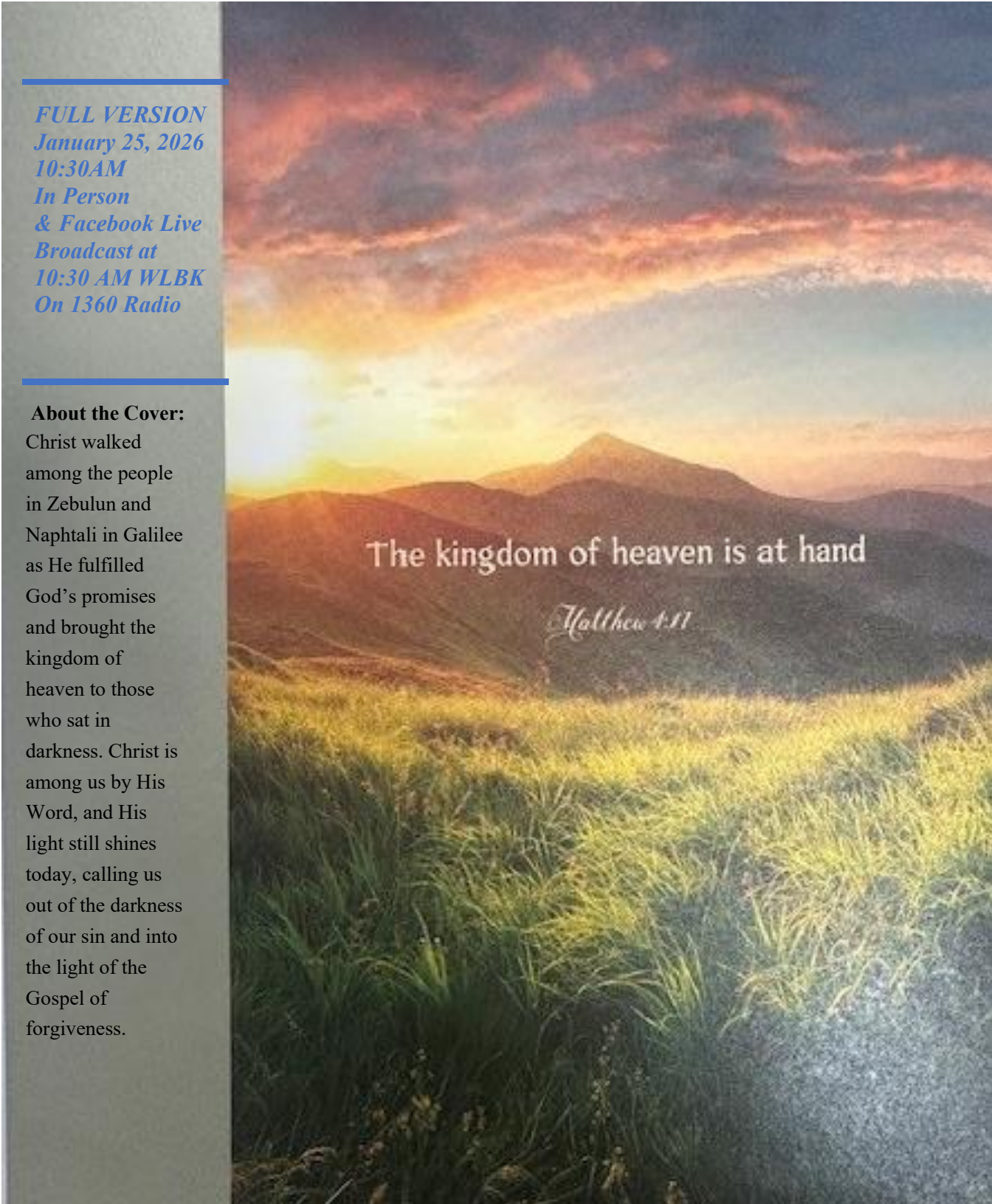
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***FULL VERSION***  
***January 25, 2026***  
***10:30AM***  
***In Person***  
***& Facebook Live***  
***Broadcast at***  
***10:30 AM WLBK***  
***On 1360 Radio***

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**About the Cover:**

Christ walked among the people in Zebulun and Naphtali in Galilee as He fulfilled God's promises and brought the kingdom of heaven to those who sat in darkness. Christ is among us by His Word, and His light still shines today, calling us out of the darkness of our sin and into the light of the Gospel of forgiveness.



The kingdom of heaven is at hand

*Matthew 4:11*

# IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH AND STUDENT CENTER

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## THE 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

**Theme for worship:** This morning we will hear the account of Jesus calling His first disciples. The 4 fishermen become Jesus' closest earthly friends and confidants. We'll learn more about these fishermen who become "fishers of men" and what it is that Jesus calls them to do. We'll also see how we are called to follow Jesus in a similar manner today.

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♪ **Pre-Service Music**

*Spiritwind*

**Ringin' of the Bells  
Welcome**

♪ **Opening Song: "You're Worthy of my Praise"**

1. **I will worship (I will worship)  
With all of my heart (with all of my heart)  
I will praise You (I will praise You)  
With all of my strength (all my strength)  
I will seek You (I will seek You)  
All of my days (all of my days)  
I will follow (I will follow)  
All of Your ways (all Your ways)**

*Chorus:* **I will give You all my worship  
I will give You all my praise  
You alone I long to worship  
You alone are worthy of my praise**

2. **I will bow down (I will bow down)  
And hail You as King (and hail You as King)  
I will serve You (I will serve You)  
Give You everything (everything)  
I will lift up (I will lift up)  
My eyes to Your throne (my eyes to Your throne)  
I will trust You (I will trust You)  
Trust You alone (You alone)**

*Chorus:* **I will give You all my worship  
I will give You all my praise  
You alone I long to worship  
You alone are worthy of my praise**

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## The Invocation

**P** We begin in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen

## Apostles Creed

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## The Installation of the Peer Ministers

### Introit

*Psalm 22:27–31; antiphon: v. 22*

**P** I will tell of your name to my brothers;

**C** in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

**P** All the ends of the earth shall remember and turn to the LORD,

**C** and all the families of the nations shall worship before you.

**P** For kingship belongs to the LORD,

**C** and he rules over the nations.

**P** All the prosperous of the earth eat and worship;

**C** before him shall bow all who go down to the dust, even the one who could not keep himself alive.

**P** Posterity shall serve him;

**C** it shall be told of the Lord to the coming generation;

**P** they shall come and proclaim his righteousness to a people yet unborn,

**C** that he has done it.

**P** & C Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

**P** I will tell of your name to my brothers;

**C** in the midst of the congregation I will praise you.

## Collect of the Day

**P** Let us pray.

**P & C** Almighty and everlasting God, mercifully look upon our infirmities and stretch forth the hand of Your majesty to heal and defend us; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

## *Service of the Word*

### The Old Testament Lesson

*Isaiah 9:1-4*

<sup>1</sup> There will be no gloom for her who was in anguish. In the former time he brought into contempt the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in the latter time he has made glorious the way of the sea, the land beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the nations. <sup>2</sup> The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who dwelt in a land of deep darkness, on them has light shined. <sup>3</sup> You have multiplied the nation; you have increased its joy; they rejoice before you as with joy at the harvest, as they are glad when they divide the spoil. <sup>4</sup> For the yoke of his burden, and the staff for his shoulder, the rod of his oppressor, you have broken as on the day of Midian.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### The Epistle Lesson

*1 Corinthians 1:10-18*

<sup>10</sup> I appeal to you, brothers, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. <sup>11</sup> For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brothers. <sup>12</sup> What I mean is that each one of you says, "I follow Paul," or "I follow Apollos," or "I follow Cephas," or "I follow Christ." <sup>13</sup> Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? <sup>14</sup> I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, <sup>15</sup> so that no one may say that you were baptized in my name. <sup>16</sup> (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) <sup>17</sup> For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with words of eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power. <sup>18</sup> For the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**P** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### Children's Message

*Pastor Marty*

## The Holy Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 4:12–25*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter.

**G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>12</sup>When [Jesus] heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee. <sup>13</sup>And leaving Nazareth he went and lived in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, <sup>14</sup>so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: <sup>15</sup>“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles— <sup>16</sup>the people dwelling in darkness have seen a great light, and for those dwelling in the region and shadow of death, on them a light has dawned.” <sup>17</sup>From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.” <sup>18</sup>While walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon (who is called Peter) and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. <sup>19</sup>And he said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men.” <sup>20</sup>Immediately they left their nets and followed him. <sup>21</sup>And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. <sup>22</sup>Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed him. <sup>23</sup>And he went throughout all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every affliction among the people. <sup>24</sup>So his fame spread throughout all Syria, and they brought him all the sick, those afflicted with various diseases and pains, those oppressed by demons, epileptics, and paralytics, and he healed them. <sup>25</sup>And great crowds followed him from Galilee and the Decapolis, and from Jerusalem and Judea, and from beyond the Jordan.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**G** Praise to You, O Christ.

## ♪ Sermon Song: “I will Follow”

1. Father always near, I wait for you here,  
Resting in the love that vanquishes fear.  
Waiting, not a care, silence everywhere.  
Yet here in my heart a still small voice.  
Bids me to come and I will follow.
2. Suffer me to come, risen, wounded one,  
I've found shelter in Your fathering arms.  
Suffer me to hear Your voice in my ear.  
Beckon me with words that draw me near.  
Bid me to come and I will follow.
3. May Your kingdom come, may Your will be done,  
Father in heaven, lift my eyes to the sky.  
One day I will see heaven's Royalty, till the day the trumpet rings in my ear.  
Bid me to come and I will follow.  
I will follow where you want me to. I will follow You.

## Confession and Absolution

- P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.  
**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

- P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.  
**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. 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. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. 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.  
**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

## The Offering- *The plates are brought forward*

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel has the ability to accept offerings through online giving. Families can easily give one-time or set up as recurring gifts. Simply make a secure donation via electronic check by visiting [www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com](http://www.ImmanuelDeKalb.com). If you choose to set up a recurring gift, you will be prompted by email to create your own online donor account to manage your gifts.)*

## ♪The Offertory

--Spiritwind

## Announcements

## The Intercessory Prayers

*The Leader says prayers for specific and general concerns of God's people, following each petition with “Lord in your mercy” to which the congregation responds with “**Hear our prayer.**”*

## The Lord's Prayer

- ☐ 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**

## ♪The Closing Song: “Let The River Flow”

1. Let the poor man say  
I am rich in Him  
Let the lost man say  
I am found in Him  
Let the river flow  
Let the blind man say  
I can see again  
Let the dead man say  
I am born again  
Let the river flow  
Let the river flow

*Chorus:* Let the river flow  
Let the river flow  
Holy Spirit come  
Move in power  
Let the river flow

*\*Repeat vs 1 and chorus*

*(Bridge):* Let the river flow (let the river flow)  
Let the river flow (let the river flow)  
Let the river flow (let the river flow)  
Let the river flow

## The Benediction

## Silent Prayer

## Postlude

<b>PARTICIPANTS January 25, 2026</b>		
<b>Altar Guild: Carolyn McQuillan</b>		
	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>10:30a.m</b>
<b>Musicians</b>	C-J Motisi, <i>Pianist &amp; Adult Choir Director</i>	Angela Pringnitz, <i>Spiritwind</i>
<b>Pastor</b>	Rev. Marty Marks	Rev. Marty Marks
<b>Children’s Message</b>	Pastor Marty	Pastor Marty
<b>Acolyte</b>	Brodie McWilliams	Heather Allen
<b>Lay Reader</b>	Charlie Schmidt	Kyle Von Schnase
<b>Radio Narrator</b>	Sue Harms	---
<b>Videographer/Sound</b>	Mark Misic	Doug Nelson
<b>Slides</b>	Kevin Harms	Mia Yelich
<b>Ushers</b>	Hayden Harms, Dennis Martinez & Jeff Bannister	Will Michels, Chloe Marks & Dan Lohmeier

**THE WORSHIP SERVICE IS BROADCAST EACH SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M. ON WLBK 1360.**

**Altar Flowers:** “In glory to God and in celebration of the birthday of Hayes Tiggelaar on January 26,” by his family.

**Radio Broadcast:** “To the glory of God for His many blessings,” by the people of Immanuel.

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Make your check out to Immanuel, with a notation on the memo line saying, “flowers,” or “radio.”

These checks may be placed in the offering plate or mailed to the church office.

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