

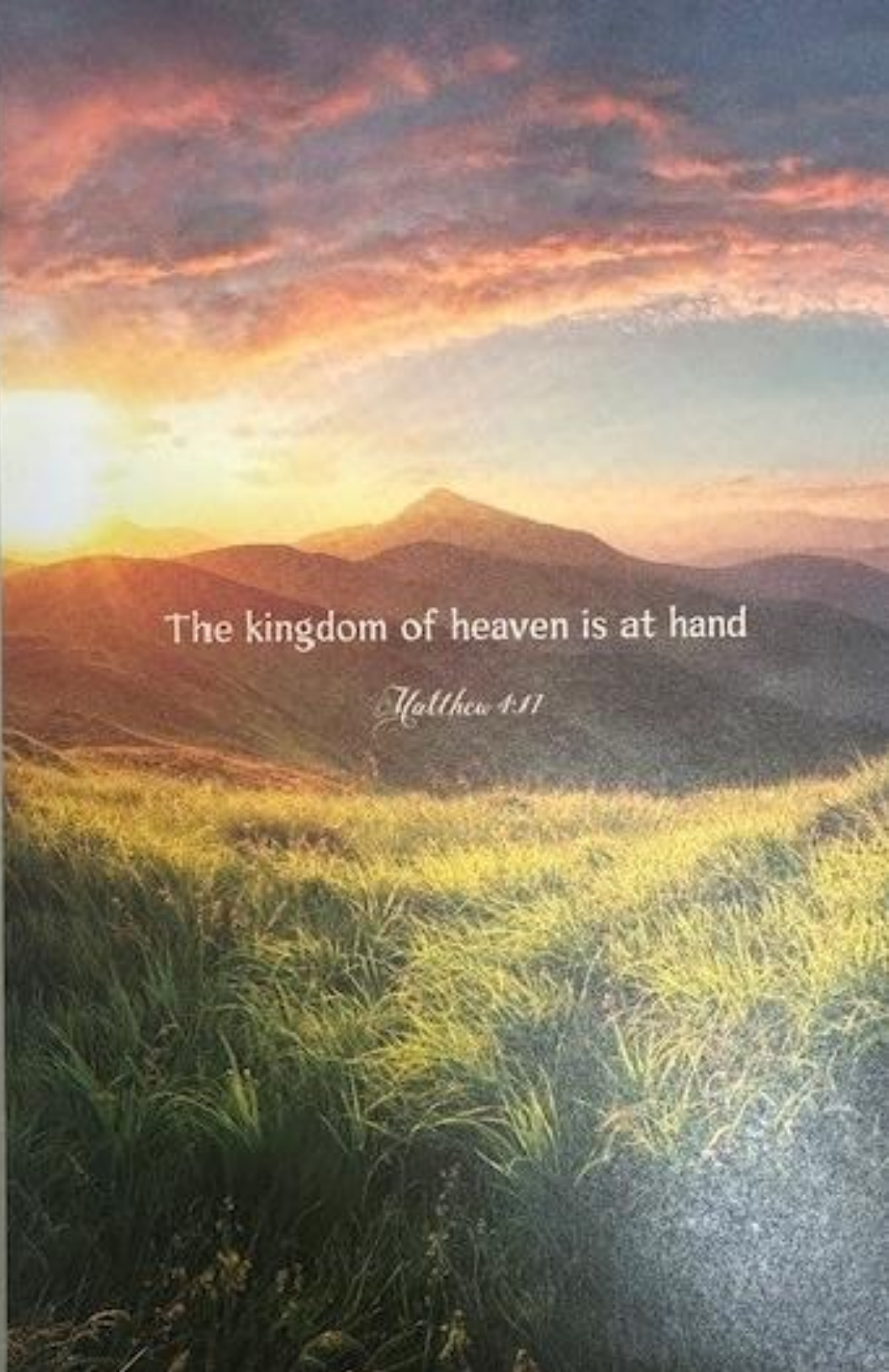
***FULL SERVICE***  
***January 25, 2026***  
***8:00 AM***  
***In person &***  
***Face Book Live***  
***Broadcast at***  
***10:30 AM WLBK***  
***on 1360 Radio***

**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: "Beautiful Savior"

The Ringing of The Bells

Welcome

#### ♪ Opening Hymn: "I Want to Walk as a Child of the Light"

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1 I want to walk as a child of the light.  
I want to follow Jesus.  
God set the stars to give light to the world.  
The star of my life is Jesus. *Refrain*

2 I want to see the brightness of God.  
I want to look at Jesus.  
Clear Sun of Righteousness, shine on my path,  
And show me the way to the Father.  
*Refrain*

*Ref* In Him there is no darkness at all.  
The night and the day are both alike.  
The Lamb is the light of the city of God.  
Shine in my heart, Lord Jesus.

3 I'm looking for the coming of Christ.  
I want to be with Jesus.  
When we have run with patience the race,  
We shall know the joy of Jesus. *Refrain*

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#### The Invocation

- P** In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.  
**C** Amen.

#### 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.

## 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

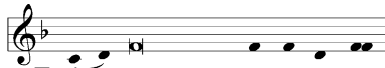
and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

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

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

## Kyrie

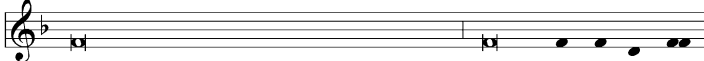
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**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



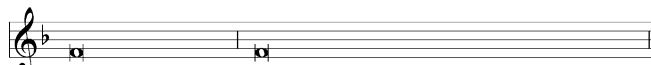
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



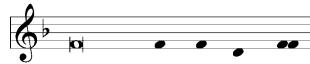
and for the unity of all let us pray to the Lord.



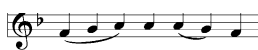
**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



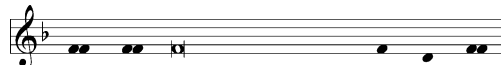
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise



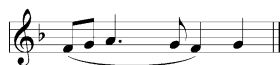
let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra - cious Lord.



**C** A - - - men.

## ♫ Gloria in Excelsis

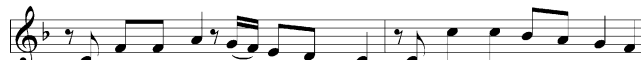
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**A** Glor-y to God in the highest, and peace to His peo - ple on earth.



**C** Lord God, heav-en-ly king, al-might-y God and Fa - ther:



We wor-ship You, we give You thanks, we praise You for Your glo-ry.



Lord Je-sus Christ, on-ly Son of the Fa-ther. Lord God, Lamb of God:



You take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



You are seat-ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther; re-ceive our prayer.



For You a-lone are the Ho-ly One, You a-lone are the Lord,



You a-lone are the Most High, Je-sus Christ, with the Ho-ly Spir-it,



in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

## Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray

**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.

**C** Amen.

## 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.

## The Children's Message

*Pastor Marty*

### ♪ Choir Anthem

*---Adult Choir*

### ♪ Alleluia and Verse



## The Holy Gospel Lesson

*Matthew 4:12–25*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the 4<sup>th</sup> chapter. **C** Glory to You, O Lord. (*Sung*)

<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

**C** Praise to you O Christ (*sung*)

♪ Sermon Hymn: “O Christ, Who Called the Twelve”

---LSB #856

1 O Christ, who called the Twelve  
To rise and follow You,  
Forsaking old, familiar ways  
For ventures bold and new:  
Grant us to hear Your call  
To risk security  
And, bound in heart and will to You,  
Find perfect liberty.

2 O Christ, who taught the Twelve  
The truth for ages sealed,  
Whose words and works awakened faith,  
The ways of God revealed:  
Instruct us now, we pray,  
By Your empow’ring Word.  
True teacher, be for all who seek  
Their light, their life, their Lord.

3 O Christ, who led the Twelve  
Among the desolate  
And broke as bread of life for all  
Your love compassionate:  
Lead us along the ways

Where hope has nearly died  
And help us climb the lonely hills  
Where love is crucified.

4 O Christ, who sent the Twelve  
On roads they’d never trod  
To serve, to suffer, teach, proclaim  
The nearer reign of God:  
Send us on ways where faith  
Transcends timidity,  
Where love informs and hope sustains  
Both life and ministry.

5 O Christ, the apostles’ Lord,  
The martyrs’ strength and song,  
The crucified and risen King  
To whom the saints belong:  
Though generations pass,  
Our tribute still we bring,  
Our hymns a sacrifice of praise,  
Our lives an offering.

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Sermon: “Following Jesus ”

*Rev. Marty Marks*

Apostles Creed

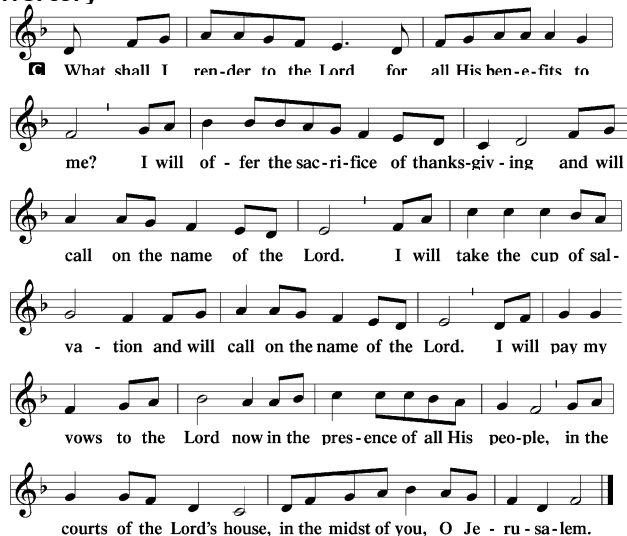
**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from 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.

Offering

*(An offering plate is available in the narthex; plates will not be passed during the worship service. Immanuel now 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.)*

## Offertory

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What shall I ren-der to the Lord for all His ben-e-fits to  
me? I will of-fer the sac-ri-fice of thanks-giv-ing and will  
call on the name of the Lord. I will take the cup of sal-  
va-tion and will call on the name of the Lord. I will pay my  
vows to the Lord now in the pres-ence of all His peo-ple, in the  
courts of the Lord's house, in the midst of you, O Je - ru - sa - lem.

## Announcements

### The Installation of Peer Ministers

### Prayers of the Church

*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

- 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.

### Closing Hymn: "Blest Be the Tie That Binds"

---LSB #649

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|---|---|--|--|
| 1 | Blest be the tie that binds<br>Our hearts in Christian love;<br>The fellowship of kindred minds<br>Is like to that above.           | And often for each other flows<br>The sympathizing tear. |  |
| 2 | Before our Father's throne<br>We pour our ardent prayers;<br>Our fears, our hopes, our aims are one,<br>Our comforts and our cares. | 4  | When here our pathways part,<br>We suffer bitter pain;<br>Yet, one in Christ and one in heart,<br>We hope to meet again.   |
| 3 | We share our mutual woes,<br>Our mutual burdens bear,   | 5  | From sorrow, toil, and pain,<br>And sin we shall be free<br>And perfect love and friendship reign<br>Through all eternity. |

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## Benediction / Silent Prayers / 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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