

EMMANUEL EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Mission: "To Share God's Salvation with Everyone!"

The Baptism of Our Lord

January 7, 2018/

WELCOME VISITORS! *We are glad to have you with us today and pray our service is a blessing to you. It is our sincere hope that you will come to worship with us again.*

THE BAPTISM OF OUR LORD

Joshua 3:1–3, 7–8, 13–1

1 Corinthians 1:26–31

Matthew 3:13–17

In His Baptism, Jesus Takes His Place with Sinners

Our Lord Jesus is baptized “*to fulfill all righteousness*” (Matt. 3:13–17). He partakes of a baptism for sinners in order that He might be our substitute and bear the judgment we deserve. In the water, Jesus trades places with us. Our sin becomes His sin. His righteousness becomes our righteousness. Our glory, therefore, is in “*Christ Jesus, who became to us . . . righteousness and sanctification and redemption*” (1 Cor. 1:26–31). Jesus is the “*chosen*” One sent from the Father to release us from the prison house of sin and death (Is. 42:1–7). Baptized into Christ, we also become the chosen ones, beloved of the Father. We cross the Jordan with Jesus (Joshua 3) through death into the promised land of new life with God.

THOSE NEEDING OUR DAILY PRAYERS THIS WEEK:

Deaths: Family & friends of Paul Tomell who died on Tues., Jan. 2nd; On-Going Care: Steven Fahnstock, Mary Flatt, Susan Gordon, Lois Hacker, Alex & Alma Schmalz; Homebound: Lois Moser, Louise Reim; Mission: LCMS missions around the world; our sister LCMS congregations; Emmanuel; Radio Ministry.

FLOWERS are given to the glory of God by the Altar & Flower Guild.

Classes

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

SUNDAY ADULT BIBLE CLASS- Undercroft-10:30 am

Topic:

TUESDAY BIBLE CLASS - Undercroft-9:30 am

Topic:

Emmanuel News & Events

EMMANUEL WEBSITE: Check out our website for all the latest, news, photos, bulletins, sermons, and links to other Lutheran sites at www.emmanuelutheranaurora.com.

WHEN YOU TRAVEL ANYWHERE– you may listen to the service online at <http://www.wbig1280.com>. Click on the *Listen Live* button in the upper right hand corner of the page.

FELLOWSHIP AFTER CHURCH: Join us after the worship service for coffee and fellowship in the Undercroft.

PLEASE SUBMIT ITEMS & PRAYER REQUESTS for the bulletin by **11:00 am** on **THURSDAY**.

PLEASE DO NOT TURN OFF the outside/hallway light by the back door. It is being left on for security reasons. Thank you - Pastor and the Board of Trustees.

NEW ISSUES of Strength for the Day are available in the Narthex and on the back door table.

2018 USHER SCHEDULES are available next to the Visitor Book in the Narthex. Ushers, please take one.

WARM ITEMS COLLECTION: Emmanuel's Women in Mission (LWML) is again sponsoring our annual Warm Item Collection until January 7th. Mittens, hats, scarves, socks and other items that provide warmth may be put in the box provided on the table in the Narthex. As in the past, what is donated will be taken to a local organization for distribution. Thanks for your help!

PLEASE NOTE: Next Sunday is our LWML mite collection day. Monies donated are used by our Lutheran Women in Mission group at Emmanuel for mission projects both here and abroad. Please consider supporting this important ministry.

District News & Events

MARCH FOR LIFE CHICAGO-JAN. 14, 2018: Northern Illinois District Life Ministry is partnering with Lutherans for Life to join thousands of pro-life advocates gathering in the Chicago Loop to celebrate the sanctity of human LIFE! A short walk around Federal Plaza begins and ends with a lineup of inspirational speakers affirming the value of life and underscoring the importance of continuing to speak out for life. Meet on Federal Plaza (50 W. Adams Street, Chicago) at 1:55 p.m. under the Love Affirms Life banner or RIDE THE BUS with US.

Join Us on the Bus! Northern Illinois District Life Ministry is sponsoring a bus to take you downtown and drop you off right at Federal Plaza. After the walk, we'll reboard the bus at 4:15 p.m. Bus departs at 1 p.m. from Trinity Lutheran Church, 1101 Kimberly Way, Lisle, IL 60532.

SUGGESTED DONATION is \$10. Call Kris Blackwell at 630.234.1491 to reserve your seat. Also Green LCMS ski hats with EyesofLife.org will be on sale for a donation of \$5.00.

Those serving in today's service: 1/7/2018

Preacher: Rev. William Beckmann

Elder: Art Cooper

Communion Assistant: Gary Moore

Radio Announcer: Rosemary Swenson

Oil Candle Care: Art & Elfriede Rothaug

Altar Care: Shirley Strobe

Flower Care: Shirley Stallmann

Ushers: Timothy Seifrid, captain;

Dennis Patzer, Janice Pitman, Andrea Seifrid

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Elder:

Communion Assistant:

Radio Announcer: Joyce Cooper

Oil Candle Care: Art & Elfriede Rothaug

Altar Care: Shirley Strobe

Flower Care: Shirley Stallmann

Ushers: David Moser, captain; Gary Moore,

Elijah Moser, Jeremiah Moser, Benjamin Seppelfrick

THIS WEEK AT EMMANUEL

January 7, through January 14, 2018

TODAY	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Communion Installation of Officers & Boards
	10:30 am	Bible Class
Tuesday	9:30 am	Bible Class
	11:30 am	Board of Evangelism/Stewardship Meeting
	6:00 pm	Church Council Meeting
Sunday	9:00 am	Divine Service w/Communion
	10:30 am	NO Bible Class
	10:30 am	Special Voters' Meeting

LWML Mites Sunday

Next Sunday: Second Sunday after the Epiphany

Readings: Exodus 33:12-23, Ephesians 5:22-33, John 2:1-11

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ISSUES, ETC. can be heard Mon.-Fri. from 3-5 at

www.issuesetc.org.

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