

Service Folder



The Circumcision & Name of Jesus

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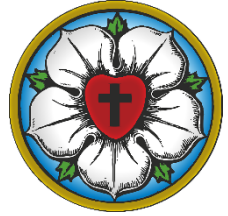
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome! Emmanuel is an independent, liturgical, traditional, historical, evangelical, catholic, orthodox, confessional Lutheran congregation. We believe that the Bible is the very Word of God, inspired and without any errors. We confess the truth of Scripture according to the Lutheran Book of Concord of 1580, without exception or reservation. We observe the calendar of the traditional Church Year and follow the Historic Lectionary. We celebrate the Divine Service (also known as the Mass) every Sunday and on other festivals, and we welcome visitors to hear God's Word with us.



With regard to Holy Communion, we believe that the Scriptures teach us to practice *closed Communion*, which means that only communicant members of our congregation or of other congregations in communion with us are invited to commune at the Lord's Table here, after they have been examined and absolved. Classes are offered throughout the year by the pastor so that those who are interested in becoming communicant members have the opportunity to learn about the Christian faith and our confession of it.

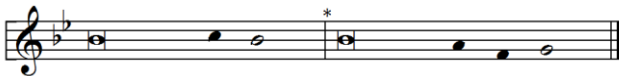
The Order of Service is *The Order of Holy Communion* (page 15) from *The Lutheran Hymnal* (TLH). The Propers (the parts that change from week to week) are noted on the following page of this Service Folder.

EVENTS IN THE NEAR FUTURE...

- TODAY - Take down Christmas decorations, after the service
 - Wed., Jan. 4 - Divine Service, 6:30 PM (The Epiphany of Our Lord)
 - Sun., Jan. 8 - Sunday School & Bible Class, 9 AM
 - Divine Service, 10:15 AM (Epiphany 1)
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HYMNS**OPENING HYMN***TLH #120 - Help Us O Lord Behold We Enter***HYMN (after the Creed)***Let Me Now with Gladness Say It (back page)***HYMN (after General Prayer)***TLH #116 – To the Name of Our Salvation***DISTRIBUTION HYMNS***TLH #123 - Our God Our Help in Ages Past**TLH #298 – Baptized into Thy Name Most Holy***Epistle:** *Galatians 3:23-29***Gospel:** *Luke 2:21**The Order of Holy Communion begins on p. 15 of The Lutheran Hymnal (TLH).***THE INTROIT** (after the general Absolution)*Psalm 8:1,4; Is. 63:16***P** (Antiphon) O LORD, our Lord, how excellent is Your name in all the earth, *

Who have set Your glory above the heavens!
 What is man that You are mindful of him, *
 And the son of man that You visit him?

**G** You, O Lord, are our Father; *
Our Redeemer from everlasting is Your name.**GLORIA PATRI** (p.16): **Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.****P** (Antiphon)*The service continues with the Kyrie and the Gloria in Excelsis, TLH p.17.***GRADUAL & HALLELUJAH** (after the Epistle)*Ps. 98:3b, 4b, 2; Heb. 1:12***P** All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of | our God. *
Shout joyfully to the Lord, | all the earth.**G** **The Lord has made known His sal- | vation; ***
His righteousness He has revealed in the sight of | the nations.**P** Alle- | luia! *
Al- | leluia!**G** **God, who at various times and in different ways spoke in time past to the fathers by the | prophets, ***
Has in these last days spoken to us by His Son. Al- | leluia!*The service continues with The Triple Hallelujah and Gospel, TLH p.20.*

Let Me Now with Gladness Say It

Lasset mich voll Freuden sprechen
Erdmann Neumeister, d. 1756
Tr. Paul A. Rydecki, 2020

Baptized Christian

1 Let me now with glad-ness say it: I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!
2 Now no sin shall make me fear-ful. I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!
3 Sa-tan, hear, I now de-cry you! I'm a bap-tized Chris-tian!

And though sight may not con-vey it, I'm one of God's chil-dren.
Now my heart is ev-er cheer-ful, Safe in this con-vic-tion:
With this truth I can de-fy you, Greet you with de-ri-sion.

How could all earth's rich-es cheer me When I have this trea-sure near me
I, from guilt and shame un-end-ing, By Bap-ti-sm's ho-ly cleansing
Now that I've come to Bap-ti-sm, Vain is all your cri-ti-ci-sm.

Which from death de-liv-ers me, And saves me e-ter-nal-ly?
Have been par-doned and set free, For Christ's blood has sprinkled me.
God's own co-ve-nant makes me Free from your dread ty-ran-ny.

4 When I'm dying I'll declare it:
I'm a baptized Christian!
For I know I'll soon inherit
All the joys of heaven.
Though my flesh in dust is waiting,
I'm in faith anticipating
That Baptism's pow'r divine,
Shall restore this flesh of mine.

5 Such a blessing must provide me
Comfort while I'm living.
And when death is right beside me,
Hope to me it's giving.
Though my heart and eyes are waning,
Still my soul shall be proclaiming:
I'm baptized! With Christ I'm dressed!
I am now forever blessed!