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Sunday & Monday, January 30th & 31st, 2022

4th Sunday after
Epiphany

Welcome to
worship! Please
complete a
Connection Card and
place the card in the
offering plate.
Thank you!

The glory of God is
often revealed when
and where it is least
expected. God uses
our lips to declare
that glory, inexperienced and hesitant
though they may be.
God uses our love to
demonstrate that
glory and so urges us
to exercise it. God
uses Jesus of Naza-
reth, water and the
word, bread and
wine, to reveal God's
glory where and
when God chooses.
Take heed, lest the
glory of God slip
through our midst
unnoticed.

God calls Jeremiah to
be a prophet and
consecrates him in
the womb. Jeremi-
ah's task is to preach
God's word amid the
difficult political real-
ities of his time, be-
fore the Babylonian
exile. He is to make
God known not only
to Judah, but also to
the nations.

GATHERING

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, who creates us, redeems us, and calls us by name.
Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God, **we confess that we have sinned against you and your beloved children. We have turned our faces away from your glory when it did not appear as we expected. We have rejected your word when it made us confront ourselves. We have failed to show hospitality to those you called us to welcome. Accept our repentance for the things we have done and the things we have left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us and lead us, that we may bathe in the glory of your Son born among us, and reflect your love for all creation. Amen.**

Rejoice in this good news: In + Christ Jesus, your sins are forgiven. You are descendants of the Most High, adopted into the household of Christ, and inheritors of eternal life.

Live as freed and forgiven children of God.. **Amen.**

GATHERING SONG

Christ, Be Our Light (st. 1,2,5)

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GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, **increase in us the gifts of faith, hope, and love; and that we may obtain what you promise, make us love what you command, through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

WORD

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 1:4-10

⁴Now the word of the LORD came to me saying, ⁵“Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.” ⁶Then I said, “Ah, Lord GOD! Truly I do not know how to speak, for I am only a boy.” ⁷But the LORD said to me, “Do not say, ‘I am only a boy’; for you shall go to all to whom I send you, and you shall speak whatever I command you. ⁸Do not be afraid of them, for I am with you to deliver you, says the LORD.” ⁹Then the LORD put out his hand and touched my mouth; and the LORD said to me, “Now I have put my words in your mouth. ¹⁰See, today I appoint you over nations and over kingdoms, to pluck up and to pull down, to destroy and to overthrow, to build and to plant.”

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 71:1-6

¹In you, O LORD, have I taken refuge; let me never be put to shame.

From my mother's womb you have been my strength. (Ps. 71:6)

Christians in Corinth prided themselves on their spiritual gifts. Paul reminds them that God gives us many gifts through the Holy Spirit, but the purpose behind all of them is love, the kind of love that God showed us in Jesus Christ.

People in Jesus' hometown are initially pleased when he says that God will free the oppressed. Their pleasure turns to rage when he reminds them that God's prophetic mission typically pushes beyond human boundaries so that mercy and healing are extended to those regarded as outsiders.

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²In your righteousness, deliver me and set me free; incline your ear to me and save me.

³Be my strong rock, a castle to keep me safe; you are my crag and my stronghold.

⁴Deliver me, my God, from the hand of the wicked, from the clutches of the evildoer and the oppressor.

⁵For you are my hope, O Lord GOD, my confidence since I was young.

⁶I have been sustained by you ever since I was born; from my mother's womb you have been my strength; my praise shall be always of you.

SECOND READING: 1 Corinthians 13:1-13

¹If I speak in the tongues of mortals and of angels, but do not have love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ²And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give away all my possessions, and if I hand over my body so that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing. ⁴Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant ⁵or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸Love never ends. But as for prophecies, they will come to an end; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will come to an end. ⁹For we know only in part, and we prophesy only in part; ¹⁰but when the complete comes, the partial will come to an end. ¹¹When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child; when I became an adult, I put an end to childish ways. ¹²For now we see in a mirror, dimly, but then we will see face to face. Now I know only in part; then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. ¹³And now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; and the greatest of these is love.

Word of God. **Word of Life. Thanks be to God.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

***Alleluia.* You shall go to all to whom I send you. Do not be afraid, for I am with you.**

***Alleluia.* (Jer. 1:7, 8)**

GOSPEL: Luke 4:21-30

The holy gospel according to...

Glory to you, O Lord.

²¹Then [Jesus] began to say to [all in the synagogue in Nazareth,] "Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." ²²All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth. They said, "Is not this Joseph's son?" ²³He said to them, "Doubtless you will quote to me this proverb, 'Doctor, cure yourself!' And you will say, 'Do here also in your hometown the things that we have heard you did at Capernaum.'" ²⁴And he said, "Truly I tell you, no prophet is accepted in the prophet's hometown. ²⁵But the truth is, there were many widows in Israel in the time of Elijah, when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, and there was a severe famine over all the land; ²⁶yet Elijah was sent to none of them except to a widow at Zarephath in Sidon. ²⁷There were also many lepers in Israel in the time of the prophet Elisha, and none of them was cleansed except Naaman the Syrian." ²⁸When they heard this, all in the synagogue were filled with rage. ²⁹They got up, drove him out of the town, and led him to the brow of the hill on which their town was built, so that they might hurl him off the cliff. ³⁰But he passed through the midst of them and went on his way.

The Gospel of our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting.

Amen.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The Spirit of the Lord is poured out upon us in abundance; so we are bold to pray for the church, the world, and all that God has made.

A brief silence.

Guide your church in the ways of faith, hope, and love. Cultivate ministries and communities of compassion that bear witness to your enduring presence among us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Teach us to live in humility on the earth. Curb arrogance that leads to destruction of natural resources and disregard for future generations. Inspire the work of scientists who urge us to live in harmony with your creation. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

You are the refuge of all who seek hope and freedom. Accompany immigrants, refugees, and asylum seekers who cross borders to find safety and opportunity. Embolden leaders to draft compassionate policies on behalf of migrants and those who assist them. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Love bears, believes, hopes, and endures all things. Comfort with your love all who are lonely, fearful, or brokenhearted. Sustain the hope of all those who suffer in body or spirit. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Your grace falls upon young and old alike. Bless the gifts of children in this congregation and in this community. Give us humble hearts to follow their leadership. Inspire us with their laughter, their insight, and their curiosity. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Here other intercessions may be offered.

We praise you for those who have gone before us and now see you face to face. Abide with us in this mortal life until we rest in the arms of your neverending love. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Since we have such great hope in your promises, O God, we lift these and all of our prayers to you in confidence and faith; through Jesus Christ our Savior.

Amen.

SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

OFFERING

OFFERING PRAYER

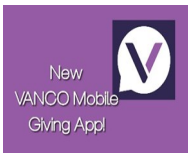
Blessed are you, O God, Sovereign of the universe. **You offer us new beginnings and guide us on our journey. Lead us to your table, nourish us with this heavenly food, and prepare us to carry your love to a hungry world, in the name of Christ our light.**

Amen.

Renew our lives that we may welcome and care for one another and that we may live and serve within the greater community of Negaunee and the world, witnessing to others your abundant love, grace, and welcome.

All baptized Christians who believe this true presence are welcome and encouraged to receive Holy Communion today. Please assist your child(ren) if you wish them communed.

Parents, We believe that the true body and blood of Jesus Christ is in/with/under the bread and wine.



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

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.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We give you thanks, gracious God, for we have feasted on the abundance of your house. Send us to bring good news and to proclaim your favor to all, strengthened with the richness of your grace in your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

God, who leads you in pathways of righteousness, who rejoices over you, and who calls you by name, + bless your going out and your coming in, today and forever.

Amen.

DISMISSAL

Go with Christ into a weary world. Share the good news.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE



ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF January 30, 2022—February 6, 2022

- * **BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 89th Birthday to *Betty Kinnunen* on February 5th.
- * **SYMPATHY & GOD’S PEACE TO:** Michael Sedlock on the loss of his mother, *Carol Iris Sedlock* on Friday, January 21st. Also, condolences to all of the Sedlock Family.
- * **GIVING YOUR OFFERINGS:** Thank you for continuing to financially support our ongoing congregational mission. **NOTE:** We are phasing out the GivePlus Mobile App. Effective **January 31st, 2022**, the GivePlus Mobile app will no longer be supported. In its place, you may download the **VANCO Mobile app**. VANCO Mobile is a free app and offers a better user experience with easy giving options, including giving to special funds. Here are the steps to follow:
 1. **Search for Our Church** - Enter our church’s name or use the invite code and click SEARCH. Then, select our church.
 2. **Select Your Fund and Amount** - Select your fund and donation frequency, then select your payment method.
 3. **Enter Payment Method** - Select a payment method and enter your credit card, debit card, or bank account information. You can save this payment method for future donations.
 4. **Choose to Cover Processing Fees** - You can choose to cover the donation processing fees by adding a small amount on top of your gift. Click the button to opt in.
 5. **Complete Your donation** - Review and complete your gift by clicking SUBMIT.If giving online through Immanuel’s website, there is no change.

***SUNDAY SCHOOL:** If you are interested in Sunday School for your child(ren), there is always open enrollment for toddlers through Grade 5. The class meets at 9:15 am and classes start at 9:30 am. Go to the Facebook page for updated information, or you can always call the office (906-475-9161). Bring your child(ren) to worship with us.

***CHURCH PHOTO DIRECTORY: A WORKING DRAFT OF OUR CHURCH DIRECTORY IS**

AVAILABLE! View it online or via the FREE mobile app today. A limited number of printed copies are also available on the upper level resource table. To view the directory online, go to members.InstantChurchDirectory.com and follow the prompts under “Sign In” to “Create a login now.” Use your email address that you included in your directory submission and confirm it following the instructions. If you did not submit an email for directory use, you won’t be able to access the directory online. There is also a free mobile app available for download at the Apple® App store in iTunes®, Google Play™ store and the Amazon Fire App Store. Simply search for “**Instant Church Directory**” to get the download. The same login protocol as above applies to the app. Need help or have questions? Please contact the church office: (906) 475-9161.

***REVELATION STUDY...** is underway on **Thursdays at 6:00 PM** both in person (fellowship hall) and online (church website). No RSVP is necessary. Just bring your Bible. Pastor Steve will provide study materials in downloadable and printed form. Explore this strange and wonderful final book of the New Testament that is best understood as a series of seven broad cycles each beginning either with the life of Christ or the beginning of the Christian Church and completed by the coming of Christ for judgment of the world.

***2022 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES WILL BE PUT IN THE OFFICE AFTER JANUARY.**

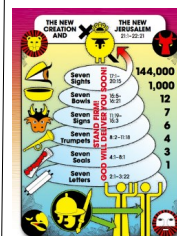
***LIFELONG FAITH FORMATION** Sign up for the Synod’s 2022 Lifelong Faith Formation Classes (nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation). The 2022 winter schedule is:

- Introduction to Biblical Hebrew - 8 Sunday evening sessions
- The Samuel Series: Prayer and the Spiritual Life - 7 Monday morning sessions
- The Big Picture Bible Discussion - 4 Tuesday evening sessions
- The Book of Ezekiel, Part II - 10 Wednesday evening sessions
- Anishinaabe Culture - up to 3 Thursday evening sessions
- Dialogue with the Islamic Resource Group - 2 sessions on a Thursday and Friday evening

For more information, see nglsynod.org/lifelong-faith-formation or contact Deacon Lori Ward at lori.ward@nglsynod.org or 615-519-1969 (cell).

***PAINTING FUND RAISER** - The Painting Project Fund Raiser is on-going. Consider making a donation to this **Sanctuary Painting Fund Raiser** that was voted on after worship, November 1st. We will be raising \$15,000 to help with some of the cost involved with this Project. Thank you for any donation you can make. It will all help with the cost. Right now the total in donations is \$15,214.82. Thank you to all of you who have donated.

***CARE CLINIC** A baby’s play-pen can be found in the Stewardship area of the church where any Care Clinic items can be placed. Needed items include: Onesies, Bibs, Socks, Newborn Hats, Sweater & Hat Set or a Hooded Sweatshirt or a Little Jacket, Sleepers, A New Outfit, Receiving Blankets, A Rattle, A Small Toy, A Hooded Towel, Washcloths, Shampoo, Lotion, Bath Bar, Diaper Rash Cream, Nail clipper, Wipes, Diapers, or Financial Support (checks made out to ‘Immanuel’, and in the memo line write ‘Care Clinic’). Thank you for any donations you may be able to make. Pastor Tom & Luanne Skrenes are handling this Project.



KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS

Pray For: Nancy Burton, Gerry Davidson, Dan Hendrickson, Billy Jo Kaufman, Peggy Jackson, Betty Kinnunen, Anna Laurila, John Meier, Wendy Niemi, Arianna Paananen, Don & Vera Palomaki, Joyce Peterson, Jessica Roberts, Linda Sjolund, Bob & Maxine Sylvester, Richard Toyra, and all COVID patients.



Our Shut-ins: Bettie Ahola, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Mary Parkkonen, Janet Penhale, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Smith, Lynne Tossava.

Members in the Armed Service: Luke DeWitt, Adrianna Gustafson, Michael Gustafson, Hunter (Jessica) Hetrick, Dennis Koski, Jacque Kurian, Tanner Romback, Trevor Romback, Michael Sedlock, Ethan Wallner, Jason Wallner, and all Armed Services Families.



Hybrid Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, February 6, 2022, at 10:45 AM.

Participation can be done in person (in Immanuel's Fellowship Hall) or via Zoom (see below). The following, along with downloadable copies of the annual report and constitutional amendments are available at www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org. The proposed constitution was approved by a majority-vote at the October 31, 2021, special meeting of the congregation. It now needs to be ratified (without change) by a 2/3-vote at the February 6, 2022, annual meeting.

ZOOM Access Details

Simply use your computer, tablet or smartphone to open this link Sunday, February 6, 2022, beginning at 10:30 am, joining by click on the following URL <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88289875015?pwd=TjE1d29lM2dNTVYyRm5seGdnUGtndz09>

If you're calling in by phone, dial anyone of the following six phone numbers. (NOTE: Long-distant charges may apply to your call.)

+1 646 558 8656
+1 301 715 8592

+1 312 626 6799
+1 669 900 9128

+1 253 215 8782
+1 346 248 7799

When asked for your Meeting ID, enter 882 8987 5015, followed by #.
When asked for your Participant ID, simply enter #.
When asked for the Meeting Password, enter 356333, followed by #.

VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN SERVICE

SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Pastor Steve Solberg*

ORGANIST/PIANIST/MUSICIAN: *Connie Scanlon*

Worship Services: Sun. @ 9:30 am / Mon. @ 6 pm

Office Hours: 8 am-2 pm, Monday-Thursday (or by appt.)

ASSISTING IN THE SERVICE:

9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS – *Noreen Collins & Valerie Paulson*

6 pm USHERS/GREETERS – *Deb Hicks & Mike Frustaglio*

9:30 am LECTOR – *Noreen Collins*

6 pm LECTOR – *Kay Korpi*

9:30 am COMM. ASST.'S – *Sue Cathcart*

6 pm COMM. ASST.'S – *Kay Korpi*

9:30 am Tech Team – *Tyler Moore*

6 pm Tech Team – *Need Volunteer*



JANUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION

JANUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION EMPHASIS

is our **Tanzanian companion ministry relationships**. Many miles separate us, but we discover God's blessing of strengthened faith & vitality in the relationships we develop visiting and being visited by our Tanzanian brothers and sisters in Christ.

January's above-and-beyond offerings will go to our Immanuel Companion Congregation fund, encouraging travel and connections between Yombo Lutheran Church of the Eastern and Coastal Diocese of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in Tanzania and Immanuel.

Stay tuned as future trips are planned!!!

If you wish to give above-and-beyond to this mission, please use January's mission emphasis envelope from your **2022 offering envelope box** or in some other way designate your gift. *Thank you for your generosity!*



Thank you for giving \$2,305.25 in December to Room at the Inn.
The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity! Thank you!



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

January 30, 2022 - February 6, 2022

YOU CAN FIND ALL ONLINE INFORMATION REFERENCED BELOW AT...

www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org

- Sunday** ***4th Sunday After Epiphany***
- 9:30 am - Sunday School
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** - 6:00 pm - Worship Service
- 7:00 pm - Confirmation Class
- Tuesday** - 10:30 am - Pericope here at Immanuel
- Wednesday** - 10:00 am - Bible Study (in-person and on Zoom)
- 6:00 pm - Choir Practice
- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting
- 6:00 pm - *Revelation* Bible Study (in-person and on Zoom)
- 7:00 pm - IT Committee Meeting
- Friday** **OFFICE CLOSED**
- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
- Sunday** ***5th Sunday After Epiphany***
Annual Congregational Meeting in Fellowship Hall - 10:45 am
- 9:30 am - Sunday School
- 9:30 am - Worship Service
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship
- 10:45 am - Annual Business Meeting (Fellowship Hall)
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)