



*Name of Jesus*

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Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023, 9:30 am / Monday, Jan. 2, 2023, 6 pm Service

COVID Protocol Update: Council has lifted COVID protocols, but encourages awareness of ongoing county numbers and personal health.

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

From the beginning, through baptism, we are called Christian. We are "Christ-ened" at the font. Bearing Christ's name, we share the same Father and are invited to address this parent intimately: Abba! Jesus bears our sins in humble obedience to the will of God. Today we pray that the mind of Christ, whose name we bear, would be our own. It is a good way to begin, again, another year.

## GATHERING

### PRELUDE

### GATHERING HYMN

*O Come, All Ye Faithful*

#283

### WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

### CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS

*(All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.)*

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the Word made flesh, our life and our salvation.

**Amen.**

Trusting the goodness and lovingkindness of God our Savior, let us confess our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

God of life, **you promise good news of great joy for all people, and call us to be messengers of your peace. We confess that too often we hoard our joy, our resources, and our security. We nurture conflict and build barriers. We neglect the needs of our neighbors and ignore the groaning of creation. Have mercy on us. Where we are self-centered, open our hearts. Where we are reluctant, give us courage. Where we are cynical, restore our trust. Renew us with your grace and give us again the hope of eternal life in you. Amen.**

Hear the good news: We are children of God and heirs of God's promises through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. In + Jesus we are forgiven and redeemed. Sing with joy, for all the ends of the earth shall know the salvation of God. **Amen.**

### HYMN

*Once in Royal David's City*

#269

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Eternal Father, **you gave your incarnate Son the holy name of Jesus to be a sign of our salvation. Plant in every heart the love of the Savior of the world, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## WORD

### FIRST READING: Numbers 6: 22-27

<sup>22</sup>The LORD spoke to Moses, saying: <sup>23</sup>Speak to Aaron and his sons, saying, Thus you shall bless the Israelites: You shall say to them, <sup>24</sup>The LORD bless you and keep you; <sup>25</sup>the LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; <sup>26</sup>the LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. <sup>27</sup>So they shall put my name on the Israelites, and I will bless them.

Word of God.

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

### PSALM 8

<sup>1</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!—

God com-  
manded  
Aaron to say  
these words,  
known as the  
Aaronic bene-  
diction, in  
blessing the  
people of  
Israel. We  
too are  
marked with  
God's name  
and God's  
blessing as  
we are sent  
from our as-  
semblies into  
the world.

How majestic is  
your name in all  
the earth!  
(Ps. 8:1)

Paul pro-  
claims the  
ultimate sig-  
nificance of  
the nativity:  
Jesus was  
born the Son  
of God so  
that, because  
of him, we all  
may be God's  
children.

Eight days  
after his  
birth, Jesus is  
circumcised  
according to  
Jewish law  
and given the  
name an-  
nounced by  
the angel  
before his  
conception.

<sup>2</sup>**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens  
out of the mouths of infants and children;  
you have set up a fortress against your enemies,  
to silence the foe and avenger.**

<sup>3</sup>When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,  
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,

<sup>4</sup>**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,  
human beings that you should care for them?**

<sup>5</sup>Yet you have made them little less than divine;  
with glory and honor you crown them.

<sup>6</sup>**You have made them rule over the works of your hands;  
you have put all things under their feet:**

<sup>7</sup>all flocks and cattle, even the wild beasts of the field,

<sup>8</sup>**the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,  
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

<sup>9</sup>O LORD our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

## **SECOND READING: Galations 4: 4-7**

<sup>4</sup>When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, <sup>5</sup>in order to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as children. <sup>6</sup>And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" <sup>7</sup>So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God.

Word of God.

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

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

## **HYMN**

**Love Has Come**

**#292**

## **GOSPEL: Luke 2: 15-21**

The holy gospel according to.....

**Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>15</sup>When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us." <sup>16</sup>So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. <sup>17</sup>When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; <sup>18</sup>and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. <sup>19</sup>But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. <sup>20</sup>The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. <sup>21</sup>After eight days had passed, it was time to circumcise the child; and he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

The Gospel of our Lord.

**Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## **SERMON**

**Mr. Walter Scanlon**

## **HYMN OF THE DAY**

**Jesus, Name Above All Names**

**W&P #77**

**1.) Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord,  
Emmanuel, god is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

**2.) Jesus, name above all names, beautiful Savior, glorious Lord,  
Emmanuel, god is with us, blessed Redeemer, living Word.**

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

## **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

With wonder and thanksgiving for Christ's coming into the world, we pray for the church, the life of the earth, and the whole human family.

*A brief silence.*

Holy God, you have given the church the holy name of Jesus, and in him we are your beloved children. Unite us in mission through the power of his Spirit. Make us worthy of the name we bear, the name in which we pray. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Renewing God, restore your glory to the earth. Awaken humanity to our kinship with all living things that depend on your provision. Teach us to care for the earth and safeguard its treasures for those who come after us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Peacemaking God, reconcile the nations. Lead those in conflict into negotiation, especially in areas of religious or ethnic strife. End acts of aggression and violence carried out in your name. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Delivering God, rescue our siblings in any danger, especially in communities where disaster and disease threaten. Move those in authority to respond with speed and compassion. We pray for the safety of first responders, health care workers, and all who protect us. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Healing God, raise up any who are bowed down with illness or sorrow. Deepen our care and concern for one another. We lift to you all who are undergoing transition in relationships, occupation, living situation, or health condition. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

Saving God, redeem us and grant us eternal peace. We give thanks for the faithful departed, especially Paul Smith, Nancy Burton and Shirley Johnson, who now rest in your undying love, made known to us in Jesus our Emmanuel. God of grace, **hear our prayer.**

Pondering the mystery of eternal love made flesh in Christ Jesus, we commend all for whom we pray to the mercy of God.

**Amen.**

## SHARING OF CHRIST'S PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

*(Please be seated.)*

## MEAL

### OFFERING

### OFFERING HYMN

*What Child Is This*

**#296**

*(Please stand as you are comfortable.)*

### OFFERING PRAYER

God of abundance, **receive and bless these gifts we have offered. Join our hearts with the song of the angels, and gather us at your table of celebration. Strengthen us to share with all the world the abundance of your grace upon grace, poured out in Jesus Christ, the Word made flesh. 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.*

## CHRISTMAS CAROLS

*Away in a Manger*

#277

*Angels We Have Heard on High*

#289

## 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.



## SENDING

### BLESSING

God bless you and keep you, + Jesus grant you grace and truth, and the Spirit send peace upon your hearts, now and forever. Amen.

### CLOSING HYMN

*Go Tell It on the Mountain*

#290

### DISMISSAL

Christ the Savior is born!

Go in peace. Proclaim this good news.

Thanks be to God.

### POSTLUDE

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE WEEK OF December 25—January 1, 2022

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\***BIRTHDAYS:** Happy 88th Birthday to *Bettie (Rose) Ahola* on January 1st.

\***SYMPATHY & GOD'S PEACE TO:**

- Jane (Duane) Cotterman on the loss of her father, *Paul Richard Smith*, on Saturday, December 17th. Also, condolences to Paul's wife, Kathleen (Rajala) Smith, and to his grandchildren: Rachel (Brandon) Ward, Rylee Gustafson, Lilly Cotterman, and all of the Smith Family.
- Carole Spickerman on the loss of her mother, *Nancy Mae Burton*, on Saturday, December 24th. Also, condolences to Nancy's grandchildren: Arnie, Drake, and Reed Spickerman, and all of the Burton Family.
- Linda (Jim) Derocher, on the loss of her mother, *Shirley Johnson*, on Monday, December 26th, residing in L'Anse, Mi. Also, condolences to all of the grandchildren and all of the Johnson Family.

\***FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Are you willing to help with Fellowship hour? Donations are needed such as bakery, crackers, cheese, fruit, or whatever suits your fancy, & cleanup! Your Fellowship Hour coordinator for January is SOCIAL MINISTRY. If it fits your schedule to bring items before Sunday morning, there are shelves in the refrigerator tagged for Coffee hour. Or leave on the counter marked "Coffee Hour". Please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) with your date & item. Thank you.

\***PROJECT KEEP KIDS WARM (PKKW).** This Project, *Keep Kids Warm*, runs through the winter months. This fall over 300 youth have been given warm winter clothing and the need continues to grow. Desperately needed are warm winter coats sizes 6-12 and water repellent gloves/mittens. Your donations can be placed in the boxes located at the West entrance. If you have questions, please contact Linda Sjolund (242-5020) or Westley United Methodist Church.



**\*TIME & TALENT FORMS / ESTIMATE OF GIVING FORMS** These forms can be filled out and brought to the church at anytime. **PLEASE** if you want to volunteer to help in any way at the church, fill out your desires on the *Time & Talent* form and turn it into the office. Consider your call to serve our Lord and this congregation by completing the *Estimate of Giving* form for **2023** AND the *Time & Talent* form for **2023**. (If you don't fill out a new *Time & Talent* form, your choices from the past will remain.) Place the form(s) in the Offering Plate or send it to the church office as soon as possible. We are "Together Into God's Future."



**\*CONFIRMATION UPDATE** During this 'Call Process', Confirmation will look a little different this year. The confirmation classes **will meet on the 3rd Monday of the month** for fellowship and service opportunities **from 6pm - 8pm**, with dinner provided. Classes will be combined with confirmands from Immanuel, Prince of Peace in Harvey, & Messiah in Marquette. These sessions will allow the youth to learn & connect during this important part of their faith walk. This new program is still being cultivated with the help of new team leaders. If anyone has questions, please email Hayley Smith, [Hayley-smith@hotmail.com](mailto:Hayley-smith@hotmail.com), or call/text 906-367-4295. **NOTE: There is 1 more Confirmation Retreat. The 3rd Confirmation Retreat** will be at Prince of Peace Lutheran Church in Harvey on Saturday, February 25th, 2023, 10 am - 3 pm.



**\*MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST** will be meeting again on Saturday, January 7th, from 8 am to 10 am. Come to fill your mind and your stomach with good things. If you have questions, please call Walter Scanlon at (906) 235-2294.



**\*NOTICES:**

- Sunday Snow Shoveling Sign-up List - are you available?
- January 8th during Fellowship, the Committee will update the congregation on the search for a new pastor. Pastor Bruce Thorsen will lead the conversation. Ben Raymond is preparing a pork B-B-Q and Social Ministry will contribute add'l food.
- Pastoral Needs Survey (Walter), due by Wednesday, January 4th
- Nominating Committee



**KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS**



**Pray For:** *Betty Carilli, Kevin Carlson, Renae Carlson, Cheryl, Sue Cohan, Dan Hendrickson, Peggy Jackson, Tom Johnson, Betty Kinnunen, Michael Kjellman, Marian Kulju, Anna Laurila, Don & Mary Leece, Diane Nault, Gerald Neldon, Don Palomaki, Stephanie Penhale, Joyce Peterson, Shirley Pizziola (Sue Cohan's mother), Delores Reichel, Jim Ritzenhein, Jessica Roberts, Louise Spickerman, Molly Taseris, Debbie Thornberg, and all COVID patients.*

**Our Shut-ins:** *Bettie Ahola, Jonelle Collins, Rudy Gagnon, Charlene Kivisto, Timothy Kjellman, Betty Lukkarinen, Leo Nirva, Butch Pynnonen, Lillian Rivers, Paul Alan Smith, Lynne Tossava.*

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



**SERVING IN WORSHIP: *Mr. Walter Scanlon***

**Organist/Pianist/Musician: *Connie Scanlon***

**Choir Director: *Connie Lindblom* / Choir Accompanist: *Vicki Lempinen***

**Worship Services: Sunday @ 9:30 am / Monday Service @ 6:00 pm**

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

**VOLUNTEERS ASSISTING IN WORSHIP**

<b>9:30 am USHERS/GREETERS</b>	<b>— <i>Alice Mutkala</i></b>
	<b>— <i>(Will U Volunteer?)</i></b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>— <i>NEED VOLUNTEERS</i></b>
<b>9:30 am LECTOR</b>	<b>— <i>Kris Hill-Alderton</i></b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>— <i>Jill Sladek</i></b>
<b>9:30 am COMMUNION</b>	<b>— <i>Linda Dillman</i></b>
<b>ASSISTANTS</b>	<b>— <i>Sally &amp; Dana Echelbarger</i></b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>— <i>Jill Sladek</i></b>
<b>9:30 am TECH TEAM</b>	<b>— <i>NEED VOLUNTEER</i></b>
<b>6:00 pm</b>	<b>— <i>NEED VOLUNTEER</i></b>

**(COMMUNION SET-UP FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY — *Connie Scanlon*)**

# JANUARY'S MONTHLY MISSION

**IN JANUARY**, our Tanzanian companion ministry relationships will be the **Mission Emphasis (ME)**. Many miles separate us, but we discover God's blessing of strengthened faith and vitality in the relationships we develop visiting and being visited by our Tanzanian brothers and sisters in Christ.

January's above-and-beyond ME 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 offering envelope box or in some other way designate your gift. **(NOTE: For now, please use a blank white envelope with 'Monthly Mission' written on it.)**

*Thank you for your generosity!*

Thank you for giving \$ 987.25 in December to the **Room at the Inn**. The recipients will be richly blessed with your generosity!  
Thank you!

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS ~ ~ January 1, 2023 - January 8, 2023

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

[www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org](http://www.ImmanuelNegaunee.org)

- Sunday** - 9:30 am - Worship Service  
- 9:30 am - Sunday School  
- 10:30 am - Coffee and Fellowship  
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)
- Monday** **OFFICE CLOSED IN OBSERVANCE OF NEW YEAR 2023**  
- 6:00 pm - Worship Service
- Wednesday** **Return your Surveys by today**  
- 10:00 am - Bible Study  
- 6:00 pm - Choir
- Thursday** - 10:00 am - Quilting
- Friday** **OFFICE CLOSED**  
- 9-12:00 N - Jr. Hockey Team Here for Lunch (WELCA)  
- 10:00 am - Women's AA Group Meets
- Saturday** - 8-10 am - Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
- Sunday** - 9:30 am - Worship Service (Call Process Q & A Session)  
- 9:30 am - Sunday School  
- 10:30 am - Coffee & Fellowship  
- 7:30 pm - AA Group Meets (men & women)



**NOTICE:** Although I've ordered our Contribution Envelopes in June, 2022, they are NOT here yet. I've called the Company several times, and they have said that they are having trouble with their manufacturer. They are working 24/7 trying to get all of their requests out, and we have been moved up on the listing, but I still have not received the envelopes. SO..... I will have available BLANK white envelopes at the entrances to the sanctuary and you can use them if you'd like. Just,.....

**PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME ON THE BLANK ENVELOPE**

**AND WHERE YOU WANT IT TO GO.**

(for exp. General Fund, Building Fund, Monthly Mission, etc.)

**THE ENVELOPE # IS NOT NECESSARY.**

You can also use your own blank envelope at home (if you have envelopes at home), just make sure your name is on the envelope. IF the Contribution Envelopes come before we have to do this, ignore this message.

*Thank you very much for your patience.*

*(As of today (12/28/2022), I just talked again to the Company and they said the envelopes will be here in January. Please be patient, as I am trying to be. Thank you!)*