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The Name of Jesus

11 AM, Friday, January 1, 2021

...that at the name of Jesus
every knee should bow...

Warm welcome, everyone, to Immanuel Lutheran Church.
Happy New Year! In Christ, it is great to have a new year stretching
before us! Let us seek to remember the name of Jesus this year of
our Lord, 2021. Let us remember Whose name we bear!

We are recording this service from the parsonage — that is, the church's
apartment where the pastors live. Many thanks to Pastor Carol for
preaching for us.

We are honored and delighted that you are here and hope that you will
return. If you do not already have a church home in our city, please
consider joining this congregation. We would rejoice to have you. Just
speak with me or send me an email (gpfryer@gmail.com).

In Christ,

Pastor Gregory P. Fryer

Lutheran Book of Worship

WELCOME

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

☐ In the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☑ **Amen**

☐ Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

☑ **Amen**

☐ If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Kneel/Stand. Silence for reflection and self-examination.

☐ Most merciful God,

☑ **we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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**

The minister stands and addresses the congregation.

☐ Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

☑ **Amen**

The Entrance Rite

APOSTOLIC 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.**

☐ Let us pray: Eternal Father, you gave your Son the 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.**

Sit

The Liturgy of the Word of God

FIRST LESSON Numbers 6:22-27, RSV
The LORD commanded Aaron to say these words, known as the Aaronic benediction, in blessing the people of Israel. We too are marked with God's name and his blessing as we are sent from our assemblies into the world.

²²The LORD said to Moses, ²³"Say to Aaron and his sons, Thus you shall bless the people of Israel: you shall say to them,

²⁴The LORD bless you and keep you:

²⁵The LORD make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you:

²⁶The LORD lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace.

²⁷"So shall they put my name upon the people of Israel, and I will bless them."

☐ The word of the Lord.

☑ **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM 8 (*Spoken, back and forth between the Pastor and Congregation*)

☐ ¹O LORD our Lord,

how exalted is your name in all the world!

☑ ²**Out of the mouths of infants and children
your majesty is praised above the heavens.**

☐ ³You have set up a stronghold against your adversaries,
to quell the enemy and the avenger.

☑ ⁴**When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,**

☐ ⁵what is man that you should be mindful of him,
the son of man that you should seek him out?

☑ ⁶**You have made him but little lower than the angels;
you adorn him with glory and honor;**

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P ⁷you give him mastery over the works of your hands;
you put all things under his feet:

C ⁸**all sheep and oxen,**
even the wild beasts of the field,

P ⁹the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatsoever walks in the paths of the sea.

C ¹⁰**O LORD our Lord,**
how exalted is your name in all the world!

SECOND LESSON.....Philippians 2:5-11, RSV
St. Paul calls upon the Philippians to have the mind of Christ and therefore to be people of humility. The self-emptying obedience of Christ Jesus makes him worthy of praise by all of humanity.

⁵Have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, ⁶who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, ⁷but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. ⁸And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto

death, even death on a cross.

⁹Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

HOLY GOSPEL Luke 2:15-21, RSV
Before the Gospel:

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the Second Chapter:

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When the angels went away from them into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, "Let us go over to Bethlehem and see this thing that has happened, which the Lord has made known to us." ¹⁶And they went with haste, and found Mary and Joseph, and the babe lying in a manger. ¹⁷And when they saw it they made known the saying which had been told

them concerning this child; ¹⁸and all who heard it wondered at what the shepherds told them. ¹⁹But Mary kept all these things, pondering them in her heart. ²⁰And the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

²¹And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was

called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb.

After the Gospel (spoken), Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Following the sermon, silence for reflection. Then all stand for the Creed.

APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

INTERCESSIONS

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☩ Merciful Father, we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us — our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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.

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HOLY COMMUNION	11 AM Sundays
MIDWEEK HOLY COMMUNION	6:30 PM Wednesdays
SUNDAY SCHOOL	Via Zoom these days
MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY	6:30 PM Mondays, via Zoom these days
INTERIM OFFICE MANAGER.....	Melissa Phillips
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We extend to you a cordial welcome and hope that you will return. If you are a visitor, please fill out one of the cards in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate or hand it to Pastor Carol Fryer. If you are interested in membership here at Immanuel, please contact the church office for an appointment with Pastor Carol. Or you can email her at ceafryer@gmail.com.

- ✦ HOLY COMMUNION is offered to all baptized Christians who have been instructed in the Church's faith, who confess it with us (as in the Creeds), and who may in good conscience receive the Sacrament in keeping with the understanding with which it is celebrated here: namely, that the Body and Blood of Christ are truly present in the consecrated bread and wine and are distributed to and received by all who commune.
- ✦ HOLY BAPTISM is celebrated and MARRIAGES solemnized only after consultation with the pastor well in advance. If you or someone you know is ill, hospitalized, homebound, or otherwise in need of the ministry of the Church, let us know. Call the church office during the week from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- ✦ We mean for PRIVATE CONFESSION to be available as often as you need. Please call one of the Pastors (212-289-8128) or email them: gp Fryer@gmail.com or ceafryer@gmail.com.
- ✦ LAYING ON OF HANDS AND ANOINTING WITH OIL FOR THE SICK is available. Again, simply contact Pastor Fryer.
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