

THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY  
January 7, 2018

Prayer upon entering and leaving God's house: In the front of the hymnal and pages 308-309. Welcome one and all. We pray and trust that you will be enriched as you hear the Word of the Lord, our risen Savior, Jesus, and worship Him. Guests, sign our guest book (providing your complete mailing address), and come again soon. Have a great day and week in the Lord, enjoy the peace He has won, and tell someone about Him this week.

"The body and the blood of Jesus, given and shed on Calvary for the forgiveness of our sins, will be distributed and received during our worship service this morning. Since those who commune at the altar are joined together in Christ as well as together in the teachings of the congregation (Acts 2:42; 1 Cor. 11:17-30; 1 Cor. 1:10; 1 Cor. 10:16-18), Immanuel Lutheran Church observes the historical and biblical practice of Closed Communion so that no one would receive the holy sacrament to their damnation and so that they may give a proper witness to their faith. Visitors from congregations of the Lutheran Church - Missouri Synod are invited to commune. Others are invited to visit with the pastor concerning our Communion practices."

Liturgy: Divine Service 3 page 184  
Hymns: 412 – "The People That in Darkness Sat"  
384 – "Of the Father's Love Begotten"  
Distribution: 358, 625, 620  
409 – "Hail, O Source of Every Blessing"

IN HIS SERVICE TODAY ARE THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS:

January Altar Guild: Teresa Fortsch & Joanne Prigge  
8:15 A.M. Ushers: Randy Hoekstra, Steve Ketchum, and Jerry Larson; Greeters: Jerry & Cheryl Larson. 10:30 Ushers: Bruce Wachhols, Eli Wachholz, and Trevor Prigge. Greeters: The Wachholz Families. Elder on Duty: Ted Tews

THIS WEEK AT SILO

Today 8:15 A.M. & 10:30A.M. – Communion  
9:30 A.M. – Bible Study & SS  
B – Bounce off at St. John's  
Monday 7:00 P.M. – Board of Elders  
BB – Silo Girls @ St. John's  
Wednesday 8:10 A.M. Chapel  
4:00 P.M. – PSC  
Thursday Circuit  
Friday BB – Silo @ Winona  
Sunday 8:15 A.M. & 10:30A.M. – Worship  
9:30 A.M. – Bible Study & SS  
Installation of church officers at both services

Looking ahead:

January 21 – 8:00 P.M. is the Quarterly Voters Meeting  
January 21 – Lutherans for Life dinner @ St. Charles  
January 22 – Scroll items due  
January 28 – Youth sponsored Chili dinner & Servant auction

Please have all reports for the annual report to me by today, Sunday, January 7. You may place them in the secretary's box at the right end of the bulletin rack or hand them directly to me. Thanks! Carol

The January issues of The Lutheran Witness are on the table in the narthex.

Enlarged bulletins with hymns and lessons are available from the greeters or ushers or on the tables (and bookshelf) as you enter the sanctuary. Please let Carol know if you would like one placed in your box.

The Lutherans for Life banquet will be held Sunday, January 21 at 12:30 P.M. at St. Matthew Lutheran Church in St. Charles. The speaker is Virginia Flo, Minnesota Area Director. The cost of the meal is \$10.00 and children age 5 and under are free. Please sign up on the sheet under the windows in the narthex by January 15 if you will be attending.

*Not sure which Scrip card to get? We have Visa Gift Cards that can be used ANYWHERE! They are available in \$50, \$100 & \$250 Online retailers such as Amazon and Shutterfly also offer scrip cards. Joanne Prigge is in the cafeteria each school day morning from 7:45 – 8:15 if you would like Scrip cards. Scrip cards will also be available at the cafeteria entrance after each church service. Please contact Joanne Prigge 689-2163, Karen Lorch 507-951-8906, Tammy Kreidermacher 507-458-4736 or Raeanna Tveten 507-259-7860 if these times are not convenient for you.*

**IN RESPONSE TO GOD'S LOVE**

*Church attendance for Sunday, Dec. 31: 164*

*Attendance for New Year's Day: 73*

*Offering for Wed., Dec. 20: \$325.00 (Home),  
\$977.10 (Loose). \$1250.00 (School)*

*Total offering for Wed., Dec. 20: \$2552.10*

*Offering for Sunday, Dec. 24: \$18,020.00 (Home),  
\$636.00 (Missions), \$208.86 (Loose), \$7,225.00 (Building)*

*Total offering for Sunday, December 24: \$26,089.86*

*Offering for Christmas Eve: \$75.00 (Loose),  
\$878.00 (Poblo / LINC). Total offering: \$953.00*

*Offering for Christmas Day: \$2008.00*

*Offering for Sunday, Dec. 31: \$12,327.00 (Home),  
\$630.00 (Missions), \$70.63 (Loose), \$15,025.00 (Building),*

*Total offering for Sunday, December 31: \$28,052.63*

*Offering for January 1: \$9.00 (Loose),  
\$887.00 (Lutheran Hour)*

*Total offering for January 1: \$896.00*

*Budget required contributions / week: \$13,627*

**PRAISE THE LORD FOR THESE GIFTS!**