

Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church Immanuel Lutheran School & Children of Grace Preschool 20882 Walden Ave. Hutchinson, MN 55350

# SIXTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY February 12, 2023

# HYMN - 738 "The Son of God, Our Christ"

We follow Setting Two on page 172.

CONFESSION

## LORD, HAVE MERCY

# GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST

# The Word

# PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord God, in mercy receive the prayers of your people. Grant them the wisdom to know the things that please you and the grace and power always to accomplish them; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

#### FIRST READING - 2 Samuel 11:1-17,26-27

<sup>1</sup> In the spring, at the time when kings go off to war, David sent Joab out with the king's men and the whole Israelite army. They destroyed the Ammonites and besieged Rabbah. But David remained in Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup> One evening David got up from his bed and walked around on the roof of the palace. From the roof he saw a woman bathing. The woman was very beautiful, <sup>3</sup> and David sent someone to find out about her. The man said, "She is Bathsheba, the daughter of Eliam and the wife of Uriah the Hittite." <sup>4</sup> Then David sent messengers to get her. She came to him, and he slept with her. (Now she was purifying herself from her monthly uncleanness.) Then she went back home. <sup>5</sup> The woman conceived and sent word to David, saying, "I am pregnant."

<sup>6</sup> So David sent this word to Joab: "Send me Uriah the Hittite." And Joab sent him to David. <sup>7</sup> When Uriah came to him, David asked him how Joab was, how the soldiers were and how the war was going. <sup>8</sup> Then David said to Uriah, "Go down to your house and wash your feet." So Uriah left the

palace, and a gift from the king was sent after him. <sup>9</sup>But Uriah slept at the entrance to the palace with all his master's servants and did not go down to his house.

<sup>10</sup> David was told, "Uriah did not go home." So he asked Uriah, "Haven't you just come from a military campaign? Why didn't you go home?"

<sup>11</sup> Uriah said to David, "The ark and Israel and Judah are staying in tents, and my commander Joab and my lord's men are camped in the open country. How could I go to my house to eat and drink and make love to my wife? As surely as you live, I will not do such a thing!"

<sup>12</sup> Then David said to him, "Stay here one more day, and tomorrow I will send you back." So Uriah remained in Jerusalem that day and the next. <sup>13</sup> At David's invitation, he ate and drank with him, and David made him drunk. But in the evening Uriah went out to sleep on his mat among his master's servants; he did not go home.

<sup>14</sup> In the morning David wrote a letter to Joab and sent it with Uriah. <sup>15</sup> In it he wrote, "Put Uriah out in front where the fighting is fiercest. Then withdraw from him so he will be struck down and die."

<sup>16</sup> So while Joab had the city under siege, he put Uriah at a place where he knew the strongest defenders were. <sup>17</sup> When the men of the city came out and fought against Joab, some of the men in David's army fell; moreover, Uriah the Hittite died.

<sup>26</sup> When Uriah's wife heard that her husband was dead, she mourned for him. <sup>27</sup> After the time of mourning was over, David had her brought to his house, and she became his wife and bore him a son. But the thing David had done displeased the LORD.

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# SECOND READING - 1 Thessalonians 4:1-12

<sup>1</sup> As for other matters, brothers and sisters, we instructed you how to live in order to please God, as in fact you are living. Now we ask you and urge you in the Lord Jesus to do this more and more. <sup>2</sup> For you know what instructions we gave you by the authority of the Lord Jesus.

<sup>3</sup> It is God's will that you should be sanctified: that you should avoid sexual immorality; <sup>4</sup> that each of you should learn to control your own body in a way that is holy and honorable, <sup>5</sup> not in passionate lust like the pagans, who do not know God; <sup>6</sup> and that in this matter no one should wrong or take advantage of a brother or sister. The Lord will punish all those who commit

such sins, as we told you and warned you before. <sup>7</sup> For God did not call us to be impure, but to live a holy life. <sup>8</sup> Therefore, anyone who rejects this instruction does not reject a human being but God, the very God who gives you his Holy Spirit.

<sup>9</sup>Now about your love for one another we do not need to write to you, for you yourselves have been taught by God to love each other. <sup>10</sup> And in fact, you do love all of God's family throughout Macedonia. Yet we urge you, brothers and sisters, to do so more and more, <sup>11</sup> and to make it your ambition to lead a quiet life: You should mind your own business and work with your hands, just as we told you, <sup>12</sup> so that your daily life may win the respect of outsiders and so that you will not be dependent on anybody.

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**Pastor:** Christ loved us and gave himself / up for us; as a fragrant offering and sacri- / fice to God.

Refrain

# GOSPEL – Matthew 5:21-37

<sup>21</sup> "You have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'You shall not murder, and anyone who murders will be subject to judgment.' <sup>22</sup> But I tell you that anyone who is angry with a brother or sister will be subject to judgment. Again, anyone who says to a brother or sister, 'Raca,' is answerable to the court. And anyone who says, 'You fool!' will be in danger of the fire of hell.

<sup>23</sup> "Therefore, if you are offering your gift at the altar and there remember that your brother or sister has something against you, <sup>24</sup> leave your gift there in front of the altar. First go and be reconciled to them; then come and offer your gift.

<sup>25</sup> "Settle matters quickly with your adversary who is taking you to court. Do it while you are still together on the way, or your adversary may hand you over to the judge, and the judge may hand you over to the officer, and you may be thrown into prison. <sup>26</sup> Truly I tell you, you will not get out until you have paid the last penny.

<sup>27</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall not commit adultery.' <sup>28</sup> But I tell you that anyone who looks at a woman lustfully has already committed adultery with her in his heart. <sup>29</sup> If your right eye causes you to stumble, gouge it out and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup> And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to be thrown into hell. <sup>30</sup> And if your right hand causes you to stumble, cut it off and throw it away. It is better for you to lose one part of your body than for your whole body to go into hell.

<sup>31</sup> "It has been said, 'Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a certificate of divorce.' <sup>32</sup> But I tell you that anyone who divorces his wife, except for sexual immorality, makes her the victim of adultery, and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

<sup>33</sup> "Again, you have heard that it was said to the people long ago, 'Do not break your oath, but fulfill to the Lord the vows you have made.' <sup>34</sup> But I tell you, do not swear an oath at all: either by heaven, for it is God's throne; <sup>35</sup> or by the earth, for it is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the Great King. <sup>36</sup> And do not swear by your head, for you cannot make even one hair white or black. <sup>37</sup> All you need to say is simply 'Yes' or 'No'; anything beyond this comes from the evil one.

#### **CHILDREN'S SERMON**

HYMN – 696 "Take My Life and Let It Be"

SERMON – 2 Samuel 11:27

"Free From Sin"

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### **OFFERING**

**THE SACRAMENT** - We invite those who hold membership in this church or any church in fellowship with WELS, to partake of the true body and blood of Jesus Christ.

#### **DISTRIBUTION HYMNS**

668 "Jesus Comes Today with Healing" 660 "Here, O My Lord, I See You Face to Face" PRAYER

LORD'S PRAYER

#### BLESSING

HYMN - 835 "Precious Lord, Take My Hand"

# ~~Calendar of Events & Announcements~~

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#### Serving today at Immanuel:

Organist:Jane VacekElder:Steven PlamannVideo Taping:Mark DeVriesPower Point:Lily DeVriesAltar Guild:Wendy Hellwig and Sharon SmithUshers:Andy Weber, Jon Hoff, Justin Black, Bruce Trick, Don Dettman,Dylan Weber, Travis Gauer, Nolan Hoff

#### Contacts

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**NEW:** pastor@eugenedevries.com Website: www.immanuelhutch.com

Monthly Calendar (under Church/calendar) Weekly Bulletins (under Church/service)

Church Services Broadcasted Mondays at 10:00 am & Sundays at 9 pmon Nuvera channel 10 or Mediacom channel 107.3



https://www.facebook.com/immanuelhutch Services are streamed live on Sundays at 10 a.m.

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# Living in God's Grace this Week

Today, Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion
			Celebrate Q1 Birthdays –
			Birthday Cake served
			in Basement
Monday:	6:00	p.m.	PTF
	6:30	p.m.	Choir
	7:00	p.m.	Bible Study
Wednesday:	4:15	p.m.	Confirmation
Sunday:	9:00	a.m.	Sunday School
	10:00	a.m.	Worship Service w/Communion

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# The Fellowship Committee would like to celebrate January, February and March Birthdays of the congregation.

**TODAY** after church we will be serving cake and coffee in the basement. *Please join us for fellowship*.

# Ash Wednesday Wednesday, February 22

2p Worship at Zion 6p Supper Served at ILC 7p Worship at Immanuel

#### Ladies Aid is serving Hot Turkey & Ham Sandwiches To be served before church starting at 6:00 p.m. Free will offering



"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12). Jesus' testimony about himself is a powerful reminder that his light stands as a beacon for all. Light is a theme which permeates the Bible. From the pillar of fire leading the Israelites out of Egypt, to the

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promise in Revelation that "there will be no more night," God has and will always be our Light, leading us through the darkness. Please join the Martin Luther College Wind Symphony for "Let the Light Shine: A Sacred Concert for Wind Band." The concert will be held at 3:00 pm on **TODAY** -**Sunday, February 12**, in the Chapel of the Christ on the campus of Martin Luther College. A livestream of the concert can be accessed at <u>www.mlc-</u> wels.edu/streams.

# Weather Closings



On Sundays with questionable weather, worship cancellations will be announced on KDUZ -1260 AM radio. During the week,

Pastor's policy is this: if Hutchinson Public Schools are closed for the day, evening events at both Immanuel and Zion will also be postponed on that day. ~~*Calendar of Events & Announcements~~* (*Page 3 – February 12, 2023*)

This winter has proven to be a heavy one for snow fall. If you would like to help offset the cost of snow removal, you may designate a special offering along with your weekly envelope. Please make a note on the front of the envelope that it should go toward ''snow removal.'' Thank you.

Immanuel has made plans to order more hymnals for the sanctuary. If you would like to donate a hymnal in memory of a loved one, we will affix memorial cards inside the front covers. Please speak to Pastor or Julie.

The cost per hymnal is \$24.



LWMS National Convention Registration Forms are available on the table in the entryway.



**2023 Church Directory** is available on the table in the entryway. Help yourself. If there are any corrections and/or changes, please let Julie Thompson know. *Thank you*.





# Preschool, Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

#### **School Calendar**

February 18 – Mustang Classic Basketball Tournament February 20 – NO Bus Service for ILS February 27 to March 3 – Christian Ed Week



#### Immanuel Lutheran School's WINTER FUNDRAISER is a

school calendar. The cost is \$10/each. They are located on the school table in the church entryway. There is a "yellow" box to place your money in. If any questions, please contact Brian Gephart.



**BUILDING FAITH FOUNDATIONS - New School Building:** Below is a link to our Thrivent page where you, family, alumni, and friends can donate to our building fund. Just click on the link, then push the Make Personal

Donation button. We also have this information on our website (<u>www.hutchinsonlutheranschool.com</u>) under Building Project with a Donation button that leads you to the same Thrivent page. For traditional check donations envelopes can be provided if you know someone that would rather go that route than online. <u>BUILDING PROJECT</u> | Hutchinsonlutheran (hutchinsonlutheranschool.com)

# The school has a variety of fundraising options to help the school withvarious activities....won't you help?



**SCRIP** A current list of the gift cards available thru the school is posted on thebulletin board. You pay the face value of the card and the school receives the % listed. We also carry Cash Wise/Coborns (\$25, \$50,

\$100) which does not show on this list. The money earned provides your children with their field trips throughout the year. Remember the cards are available all year long. Thank you for your support of ourSchool and Pre School. *Karen Kohls* 

- Caseys Rewards. Go to <u>www.caseys</u>.com
- cocacola.com/give for Coke products, enter the code
- Country Hearth Loaves4Learning
- Ink Cartridges There is a collection box in the entryway.
- School Store Fundraiser <u>www.schoolstore.com</u>
- Amazon Fundraiser <u>www.smile.amazon.com</u>
- Cash Wise Rewards-enroll at <u>www.morerewards.com</u>
- *BoxTops* This is all digital. For us to get credit, you will needto download the Boxtops for Education App on your smart phone, search Immanuel Lutheran School,

Hutchinson and scan your entire receipt. A complete listing with details is on the table in the entry way by the schooldisplay. Thank you for your help.

