



HE WHO IS MIGHTIER  
THAN I IS COMING,  
THE STRAP OF WHOSE  
SANDALS I AM NOT  
WORTHY TO UNTIE.

LUKE 3:16, ESV

## *Baptism of Our Lord*

Immanuel Lutheran Church - LCMS

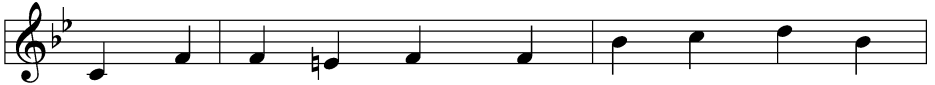
Lakefield, Minnesota

January 12 & 15, 2025

# Hymn: 405 To Jordan's River Came Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan's riv - er came our Lord, The Christ, whom  
2 The Sav - ior came to be bap - tized— The Son of  
3 As Je - sus in the Jor - dan stood And John bap -  
4 Then from God's throne with thun - d'rous sound Came God's own



heav'n - ly hosts a - dored, The God from God, the  
God in flesh dis - guised— To stand be - neath the  
tized the Lamb of God, The Ho - ly Spir - it,  
voice with words pro - found: "This is My Son," was



Light from Light, The Lord of glo - ry, pow'r, and might.  
Fa - ther's will And all His righ - teous - ness ful - fill.  
heav'n - ly dove, De - scend - ed on Him from a - bove.  
His de - cree, "The one I love, who pleas - es Me."

5 The Father's word, the Spirit's flight  
Anointed Christ in glorious sight  
As God's own choice, from Adam's fall  
To save the world and free us all.

6 Now rise, faint hearts, be resolute;  
This man is Christ, our substitute!  
He was baptized in Jordan's stream,  
Proclaimed Redeemer, Lord supreme.

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*Stand*

## Opening Versicles

- L** This is the day which the Lord has made;
- C** let us rejoice and be glad in it.
- L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,
- C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.
- L** Better is one day in Your courts than a thousand elsewhere;

**C** I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of the wicked.

**L** Make me to know Your ways, O Lord.

**C** Teach me Your paths.

**L** Sanctify us in Your truth.

**C** Your Word is truth.

**L** From the rising of the sun to its setting,

**C** the name of the Lord is to be praised.

**C** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.

## Old Testament Canticle

*LSB 261*



**C** The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



With joy will you draw wa - ter from the



wells of sal - va - tion. And you will say in that



day: "Give thanks to the Lord, call up - on His name,



make known His deeds a - mong the peo - ples, pro -



claim that His name is ex - alt - ed."

*Refrain*



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



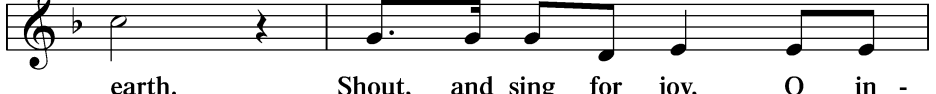
He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Sing prais - es to the Lord, for He has done



glo - rious - ly; let this be made known in all the



earth. Shout, and sing for joy, O in -



hab - i - tants of Zi - on, for great in your midst is the



Ho - ly One of Is - ra - el.

*Refrain*



The Lord God is my strength and my song, and



He has be - come my sal - va - tion.



Glo - ry be to the Fa - ther and to the Son



and to the Ho - ly Spir - it;

as it was in the be - gin - ning, is now, and will  
 be for - ev - er. A - men.

*Refrain*  
 The Lord God is my strength and my song, and  
 He has be - come my sal - va - tion.

*Sit*

## Readings From Holy Scripture

### Reading

*Isaiah 43:1-7*

**L** A reading from Isaiah, the forty-third chapter.

But now thus says the LORD,  
 he who created you, O Jacob,  
 he who formed you, O Israel:  
 “Fear not, for I have redeemed you;  
 I have called you by name, you are mine.  
 When you pass through the waters, I will be with  
 you;  
 and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm  
 you;  
 when you walk through fire you shall not be  
 burned,  
 and the flame shall not consume you.  
 For I am the LORD your God,  
 the Holy One of Israel, your Savior.  
 I give Egypt as your ransom,  
 Cush and Seba in exchange for you.  
 Because you are precious in my eyes,

and honored, and I love you,  
I give men in return for you,  
peoples in exchange for your life.  
Fear not, for I am with you;  
I will bring your offspring from the east,  
and from the west I will gather you.  
I will say to the north, Give up,  
and to the south, Do not withhold;  
bring my sons from afar  
and my daughters from the end of the earth,  
everyone who is called by my name,  
whom I created for my glory,  
whom I formed and made.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Reading

*Romans 6:1–11*

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with him in a death like his, we shall certainly be united with him in a resurrection like his. We know that our old self was crucified with him in order that the body of sin might be brought to nothing, so that we would no longer be enslaved to sin. For one who has died has been set free from sin. Now if we have died with Christ, we believe that we will also live with him. We know that Christ being raised from the dead will never die again; death no longer has dominion over him. For the death he died

he died to sin, once for all, but the life he lives he lives to God. So you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Reading

*Luke 3:15–22*

As the people were in expectation, and all were questioning in their hearts concerning John, whether he might be the Christ, John answered them all, saying, “I baptize you with water, but he who is mightier than I is coming, the strap of whose sandals I am not worthy to untie. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire. His winnowing fork is in his hand, to clear his threshing floor and to gather the wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn with unquenchable fire.”

So with many other exhortations he preached good news to the people. But Herod the tetrarch, who had been reproved by him for Herodias, his brother’s wife, and for all the evil things that Herod had done, added this to them all, that he locked up John in prison.

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, “You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased.”

**L** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** **Thanks be to God.**

## Responsory

**L** Forever, O Lord, Your Word is firmly set in the heavens.

**C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

- L** Blessed are those who hear the Word of God and keep it.
- C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**
- L** Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit.
- C** **Lord, I love the habitation of Your house and the place where Your glory dwells.**

*Stand*

### Ten Commandments

- C** **You shall have no other gods.**  
**You shall not misuse the name of the Lord your God.**  
**Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.**  
**Honor your father and your mother.**  
**You shall not murder.**  
**You shall not commit adultery.**  
**You shall not steal.**  
**You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor.**  
**You shall not covet your neighbor's house.**  
**You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, or his manservant or maidservant, his ox or donkey, or anything that belongs to your neighbor.**

### Apostles' Creed

- C** **I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**  
**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.**



**The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.**

**From thence He will come to judge the living  
and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.**

### **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.**

*Sit*

# Hymn: 407 To Jordan Came the Christ, Our Lord



1 To Jor - dan came the Christ, our Lord, To do His Fa - ther's  
2 O hear and mark the mes - sage well, For God Him - self has  
3 These truths on Jor - dan's banks were shown By might - y word and  
4 There stood the Son of God in love, His grace to us ex -



plea - sure; Bap - tized by John, the Fa - ther's Word  
spo - ken. Let faith, not doubt, a - mong us dwell  
won - der. The Fa - ther's voice from heav'n came down,  
tend - ing; The Ho - ly Spir - it like a dove



Was giv - en us to trea - sure. This heav'n - ly wash - ing  
And so re - ceive this to - ken. Our Lord here with His  
Which we do well to pon - der: "This man is My be -  
Up - on the scene de - scend - ing; The tri - une God as -



now shall be A cleans - ing from trans - gres - sion  
Word en - dows Pure wa - ter, free - ly flow - ing.  
lov - ed Son, In whom My heart has plea - sure.  
sur - ing us, With prom - is - es com - pel - ling,



And by His blood and ag - o - ny Re - lease from death's op -  
God's Ho - ly Spir - it here a - vows Our kin - ship while be -  
Him you must hear, and Him a - lone, And trust in full - est  
That in our Bap - tism He will thus A - mong us find a



pres - sion. A new life now a - waits us.  
stow - ing The Bap - tism of His bless - ing.  
mea - sure The word that He has spo - ken."  
dwell - ing To com - fort and sus - tain us.

5 To His disciples spoke the Lord,  
"Go out to ev'ry nation,  
And bring to them the living Word  
And this My invitation:  
Let ev'ryone abandon sin  
And come in true contrition

To be baptized and thereby win  
Full pardon and remission  
And heav'nly bliss inherit."

6 But woe to those who cast aside  
This grace so freely given;  
They shall in sin and shame abide  
And to despair be driven.  
For born in sin, their works must fail,  
Their striving saves them never;  
Their pious acts do not avail,  
And they are lost forever,  
Eternal death their portion.

7 All that the mortal eye beholds  
Is water as we pour it.  
Before the eye of faith unfolds  
The pow'r of Jesus' merit.  
For here it sees the crimson flood  
To all our ills bring healing;  
The wonders of His precious blood  
The love of God revealing,  
Assuring His own pardon.

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## Sermon

## Installation of Congregational Officers

## Offering

*Stand*

## Prayer

**L** In peace let us pray to the Lord:

**C** Lord, have mercy.

**L** For the gift of divine peace and of pardon, with all our heart and with all our mind, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the holy Christian Church, here and scattered throughout the world, and for the proclamation of the Gospel and the calling of all to faith, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For this nation, for our cities and communities, and for the common welfare of us all, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For seasonable weather and for the fruitfulness of the earth, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For those who labor, for those whose work is difficult or dangerous, and for all who travel, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For all those in need, for the hungry and homeless, for the widowed and orphaned, and for all those in prison, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For the sick and dying and for all those who care for them, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** For . . . [additional bids for prayer may be inserted here] . . . let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy.**

**L** Finally, for these and for all our needs of body and soul, let us pray to the Lord:

**C** **Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.**

## Collect of the Day

**L** Father in heaven, at the Baptism of Jesus in the Jordan River You proclaimed Him Your beloved Son and anointed Him with the Holy Spirit. Make all who are baptized in His name faithful in their calling as Your children and inheritors with Him of everlasting life; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Collect for the Word

**L** Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart that, by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word, we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Morning Prayer (Sunday)

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have kept me this night from all harm and danger; and I pray that You would keep me this day also from sin and every evil, that all my doings and life may please You. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.

**Amen.**

## Evening Prayer (Wednesday)

**C** I thank You, my heavenly Father, through Jesus Christ, Your dear Son, that You have graciously kept me this day; and I pray that You would forgive me all my sins where I have done wrong, and graciously keep me this night. For into Your hands I commend myself, my body and soul, and all things. Let Your holy angel be with me, that the evil foe may have no power over me.  
Amen.

### New Testament Canticle

LSB 266



**C** Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.



Christ our Pass - o - ver Lamb has been sac - ri - ficed.



Raised from the dead, He will nev - er die a - gain.



Death has no more do - min - ion o - ver Him.



Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -



lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

Dy - ing, Christ dies to sin, once for all. Liv - ing, He  
lives to God. Count your - selves as dead to  
sin and a - live to God in Christ Je - sus, our Lord.  
*Refrain*  
Christ has been raised from the dead! Al - le -  
lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## Blessing

- L** Let us bless the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**
- L** The almighty and merciful Lord, the Father, the ✠ Son, and the Holy Spirit, bless and preserve us.
- C** **Amen.**

# Hymn: 404 Jesus, Once with Sinners Numbered



1 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Had no blem - ish  
2 John con - fessed Him as the Sav - ior— “Look, the sin - less  
3 This the bap - tism that our Sav - ior Great - ly longed to  
4 Je - sus, once with sin - ners num - bered, Full o - be - dience



of His own; In the wa - ters of the Jor - dan  
Lamb of God!” Yet he dared not loose the san - dals  
un - der - go; This the crim - son cleans - ing need - ed  
was Your path; You, by death, have con - se - crat - ed



His true worth and work were shown: Heav - en o - pened  
Of the One God’s love had shod. Oh, how fair the  
So the world God’s love might know; This the mis - sion  
Wa - ter in this sav - ing bath: Dy - ing to the



and the Spir - it There de - scend - ed like a  
feet of Je - sus, Bring - ing news of peace to  
of Mes - si - ah As He stepped from Jor - dan’s  
sin of Ad - am, Ris - ing to a life of



dove, As the Fa - ther’s voice re - sound - ed,  
us, Christ, the her - ald of sal - va - tion,  
stream, He, the cho - sen and a - noint - ed  
grace; We are count - ed with the righ - teous,



“Hear My Son, the One I love.”  
Preach - ing mer - cy from the cross:  
Son of God, sent to re - deem.  
O - ver us the cross You trace.

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## **Assisting with the Service**

*Preacher Rev. Noel Herr (Sunday)*

*Rev. David McDonald (Wednesday)*

*Elder Steve Matasovsky (Sun)*

*Luke Henning (Wed)*

*Organist Lori Kruger*

*Acolyte Kaelyn Swanson-Voight & Nora Freking (Sun)*

*Mathias Liepold (Wed)*

*Usher Tim & Sheri Timko (Sun)*

*Paul & Sue Spoo (Wed)*

## **We Remember in our Prayers**

*Jonah Dagele dealing with health issues*

*Immanuel in the Call process for a Pastor*

*Our residents at Valley View, Golden Horizons in Worthington,*

*Good Sam in Jackson, Accura HealthCare in Milford,*

*Lakeview in Heron Lake, Koronis in Paynesville*

*Keith Kolander, Loretta Palmer, Jackie Ward, Ken Pohlman,*

*Ines Henning, Merlyn Rossow, Betty Hage, Bev Hall,*

*dealing with health issues*

*Miles Ramsey, toddler cousin of Amy Altman; Zach*

*Williamson, friend of Pastor McDonald; Pastor Dennis*

*Brech, Lake Shetek; Joyce Urmie, sister-in-law of Vickie*

*Baumann; Stacey Dunker, mother of ILS student*

*Janessa Dunker; Pastor Ben Rucker; Mitch Voehl, son*

*of Lila Voehl; Marcus Lere, grandson of Joyce*

*Bretzman; Denny Daberkow; Jim Salentiny, uncle of*

*Mark Freking; dealing with cancer*

*Suzanne Leopold, friend of Jan Bakalyar; Joe Bradley,*

*nephew of Joyce Aden; Mary Holt, aunt of Debbi*

*Gettler; Jeff Meyer, friend of Bruce and Jan Bakalyar;*

*Rob Pohlman, son of Ken Pohlman; Curt Gates,*

*brother-in-law of Miles Voehl (Lila's son), dealing with*

*health issues*

*Our Missionaries in the Field*

*Our Country and Our Military*

**IF YOU ARE IN NEED OF PASTORAL CARE** you may contact Pastor McDonald directly (507-993-1113 or [mcdonald.david66@yahoo.com](mailto:mcdonald.david66@yahoo.com)), Amy in the church office (507-662-5718 or [immanuel@immanuellakefield.com](mailto:immanuel@immanuellakefield.com)), or speak to one of the elders. This includes visits, prayer requests, communion for home bound members, among others. Pastor McDonald is our administrative vacancy pastor.

**INSTALLATION OF CHURCH OFFICERS** will take place today, Sunday, January 12th, and Wednesday, January 15th. All incoming and continuing officers are asked to take part. A name tag may be found in the narthex for you. You may sit with your family until asked to come forward.

### **2024 CONGREGATIONAL OFFICERS**

Board of Elders: Jim Berkevich, Shane Rossow, Luke Henning, Steve Matasovsky, Joel Poppe

Board of Education: Jonah Dagel, Brandon Laabs. Justin Scholten, Leann Henning, Deb Jons, Lori Henning

Board of Finance: Jesse Ackermann, Ron Gettler, Debbi Gettler, Joel Burmeister, Tara Boogerd, Cheryl Ulferts

Board of Trustees: Jeff Frantsen, Travis Dennis Rossow, Mark Freking, Austin Rossow, Andrew T. Rossow, Clay Salzwedel

Board of Congregational Services: Sarah Laabs, Tim Timko, Monette Berkevich, Lola Gunther, Dellynn Monson, Danielle Rossow

Congregational Chairman: Kurt Swanson

Congregational Secretary: Kerry Sydnes

### **JOIN US FOR BIBLE CLASS, SUNDAY SCHOOL, AND YOUTH**

**GROUP BIBLE STUDY:** Sunday School meets in the school classrooms. Youth Group Podcast Bible Study (grades 6-12) meets in the mother's room in the basement. Adult Bible Class meets in the basement. Everyone is welcome.

**THANK YOU** to our outgoing Officers for their many hours of dedicated work during their term of office. Your support and help are very much appreciated, especially by the staff of Immanuel. Thank you to:

*Elder: Albert Henning*

*Trustee: Jared Ackermann & Stuart Peterson*

*Ed: Josh Swanson, Katie Burmeister, & Luke Rossow*

*Jeremy Boogerd: Finance*

*Congregational Services: Lori Henning*

*Congregational Secretary: Sue Salzwedel*

**WE WELCOME** all of our guests and visitors this weekend. We invite you to visit us again. If you have no church home and would like to make Immanuel your church home, please speak to Pastor or one of the Elders at the end of the service.



**National Lutheran Schools Week Dinner**

**Sunday, January 26**

**10:30-12:30**

**Pork Loin, Beans, Pasta Salad, Desserts,  
and a Beverage**

**Freewill Donation accepted to benefit ILS**

**Meal provided by ILS Staff and Families**

**VOTERS MEETING** for the 1st quarter is today, Sunday, January 12th right after church around 10:00 a.m.

**LEADERSHIP IN THE CHURCH:** Please keep the men and women you have entrusted to lead our congregation in your prayers as they serve in the ministry of Immanuel Lutheran Church in their official capacity as an officer or board member.

**PORTALS OF PRAYER** for January through March are now available on the welcome center in the narthex in both regular and large print. Please help yourself to a copy.

**MERCY MEALS:** Our Immanuel Lutheran School will be packing Mercy Meals as a servant event during National Lutheran Schools Week on January 28th. Mercy Meals are delivered by Orphan Grain Train to children in need throughout the world. This is similar to the Food for Kids packing that we had done years ago at the school. We will be packing 99 crates! The project costs \$3,500 for supplies and shipping costs. This is a cost that we will be paying. We are looking for donations to help cover the cost. Please consider putting a donation in your offering envelope or sending a check to Immanuel Lutheran School, PO Box 750, Lakefield, MN 56150, by Tuesday, January 28th. Checks can be written out to Immanuel Lutheran School with "Orphan Grain Train" in the memo line. Thank you for your consideration.

## **IMMANUEL LUTHERAN SCHOOL NEWS**

- Parent Drive Day – NO JCC BUS – Monday 1/20
- Upcoming Basketball:
  - Monday 1/13 at 4:00: A & B at Worthington Christian
  - Friday 1/17 and Saturday 1/18: A tournament at St. Paul's Truman

# **DON'T FORGET TO ORDER YOUR SUPER BOWL SUBS FOR SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 9!**

**This is a fundraiser for our youth group.**

**ORDER FORM IS A YELLOW INSERT IN THE BULLETIN**

**Gluten free option available (may be a bun or wrap) –**

**Please note on the form if you'd like gluten free.**

**MARCH FOR LIFE AT THE STATE CAPITOL:** Martin Luther High School student body and staff will be attending the March for Life at the Minnesota State Capitol on Wednesday, January 22nd. Buses will leave at 7:30 a.m. and return around 4:00 p.m. Limited seating is available for anyone who would like to ride along. Call MLHS at 507-436-5249 to reserve your spot by January 15th. Guests riding the bus need to bring a sack lunch.

**YOUTH GROUP PIZZA RANCH FUNDRAISER** is on Monday, January 27th from 5:00-8:00 p.m. at the Jackson Pizza Ranch. Proceeds will benefit our youth group. Pizza Ranch is located at 206 3rd Street in Jackson.

**“GEN Z MENTAL HEALTH STRATEGIES FOR PARENTS, ADULTS AND THE GEN Z’ER”** presentation will be held at Martin Luther High School in Northrop on Wednesday, January 15th at 7:00 p.m. Guest speaker is Kathleen von Kampen, Gracepoint Ministries Therapist and Professor of Psychology at Concordia University Nebraska. Event is free and open to the public. Free babysitting provided – call 507-436-5249 by January 10th to reserve a sitter. Kathleen specializes in individual and family therapy for anxiety and depression from a Christian and strengths-based perspective. Martin Luther High School is located at 315 Martin Luther Drive in Northrop.

**CHILDREN'S WINTER CARNIVAL** is at Martin Luther High School in Northrop on Sunday, January 26th from 1:00-3:00. Cost is \$5/child or \$15 per family. Parents are free. There will be Games, Prizes, Bouncy House, Snacks and a Parent Lounge. Carnival is sponsored by the Martin Luther Jr/Sr High School, Northrop National Honor Society and Student Council. MLHS is located at 315 Martin Luther Drive, Northrop.

**ANNUAL REPORTS:** January is here. Amy would appreciate having the reports in the church office soon.

**HISTORICAL EXPERIENCE:** The Great Northfield Bank Raid and how Minnesotans foiled the James/Younger Gang will be presented by historian Arn Kind at Martin Luther High School in Northrop on Tuesday, January 28th from 9:00-11:15 a.m. or 12:00-2:15 p.m. Hear and see the events of September 7, 1876 played out before you. All are welcome at this free event. MLHS is located at 315 Martin Luther Drive, Northrop.

**GIVING STATEMENTS** for 2024 are ready. Please write your name on the sign-up sheet on the window in the narthex if you would like one or give Amy in the church office a call at 507-662-5718. Statements can then be picked up from the welcome center in the narthex or mailed out.

**MAC-N-CHEESE COOK-OFF** is at Martin Luther High School in Northrop on Friday, January 24th, from 5:00-7:00 p.m. during the JAGS basketball game. Cost is \$7. All are welcome to come and sample the entries and vote for their favorite. Want to enter the contest? Sign-up by January 17th by calling MLHS at 507-436-5249. Proceeds help fund the Senior Class Trip to Nashville. MLHS is located at 315 Martin Luther Drive, Northrop.

**MOMCO (MOM COMMUNITY)** a new young mothers group is starting at Immanuel Lutheran Church in Spirit Lake. They will meet on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month starting on January 15th from 8:30-10:30 a.m. All moms of young children are welcome for a time of community, learning, food, and childcare. Check out the flyer on the bulletin boards on how to register. Contact Immanuel Spirit Lake with any questions at 712-336-1010 or [lcmslakes@gmail.com](mailto:lcmslakes@gmail.com). Immanuel Spirit Lake is located at 2300 27th Street.

**POINTS OF INFORMATION January 5, 2025**

<i>Current Fund received this past week.....</i>	<b>\$8,837</b>
<i>    Needed each week.....</i>	<b>\$18,504</b>
<i>Non-budget giving</i>	
<i>    Video Ministry.....</i>	<b>\$25</b>
<i>    DVD.....</i>	<b>\$3</b>
<i>Memorial given in memory of</i>	
<i>    Marlene Hendricksen to Immanuel Church.....</i>	<b>\$50</b>
<i>    Marlene Hendricksen to Immanuel School.....</i>	<b>\$20</b>
<i>    Delores Steffen to Immanuel Church.....</i>	<b>\$20</b>
<i>Current Fund needed for December.....</i>	<b>\$74,016</b>
<b><i>Offering Received in December.....</i></b>	<b>\$58,261</b>
<b><i>+ Tuition Received in December.....</i></b>	<b>\$32,016</b>
<b><i>= Current Fund Total December.....</i></b>	<b>\$90,277</b>

*Worshipping on Sunday, 1/5: 149*

*If you have any questions, please call Jesse Ackermann*

Wondering where you can watch this service?

1. Facebook: “Immanuel Lutheran Church” on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. or any time after.
2. YouTube: “Immanuel Lutheran Church and School Lakefield” on Sundays at 9:00 a.m. or any time after.

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**THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL...**

*Sunday, January 12 Installation of Officers*

*9:00 AM Worship*

*10:00 AM Voters Meeting*

*10:15 AM Sunday School*

*10:15 AM Youth Group Podcast Bible Study*

*10:15 AM Bible Class*

*Monday, January 13*

*4:00 PM A & B BB at Worthington Christian*

*5:15 PM Board of Congregational Services Meeting*

*Wednesday, January 15 Installation of Officers*

*8:20 AM Chapel*

*2:10 PM Confirmation*

*7:00 PM Worship*

*Thursday, January 16*

*5:30 PM Board of Trustees Meeting*

*Friday, January 17*

*Last Day of 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter*

*A BB Tournament at St. Paul's Truman*

*Saturday, January 18*

*A BB Tournament at St. Paul's Truman*

*Sunday, January 19*

*9:00 AM Worship with Communion*

*10:15 AM Sunday School*

*10:15 AM Youth Group Podcast Bible Study*

*10:15 AM Bible Class*

*Tuesday, January 21*

*4:15 PM B BB at St. Paul's Truman*

*Wednesday, January 22*

*8:20 AM Chapel*

*2:10 PM Confirmation*

*5:30 PM Board of Ed Meeting*

*7:00 PM Worship*

*8:00 PM Board of Elders Meeting*