

The Epiphany of Our Lord (Observed) January 8, 2023 Immanuel Ev. Lutheran Church Glenview, IL Office: 847-724-1034

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An offering is collected during the service.

Because Online Communion is not something we practice in the LCMS, please contact the Church Office to receive Individual Communion from your pastor.

About Holy Communion

In the Lutheran Church – Missouri Synod we believe that in Communion, Jesus is really and truly present. He gives us Himself to assure us that in Him we are forgiven. It also is a statement of unity that all who come to Communion are in agreement of faith and doctrine.

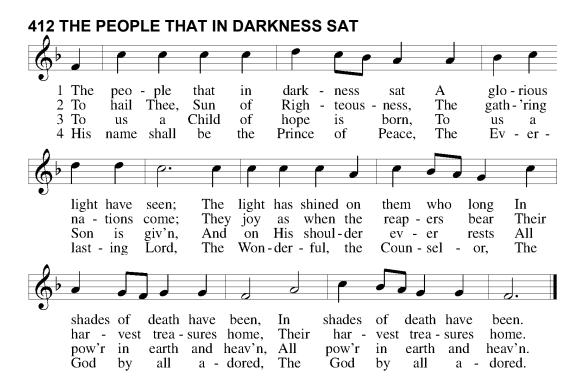
Because this is something very special, and is more than bread and wine, we ask that those who are not confirmed members of the LCMS first talk to the pastor before coming up for Communion. Participating as a family, we believe that we are truly receiving the body and blood of Christ in, with, and under the bread and the wine.

All are certainly welcome at the Altar and may receive a Blessing, rather than the elements. We ask that an indication be given by crossing arms in front (St. Andrew's Cross) to signify this desire for simply receiving a Blessing in Christ. Thank you.

AS WE GATHER

The Feast of the Epiphany centers in the visit of the Magi from the East. In that respect, it is a "Thirteenth Day" of Christmas, and yet it also marks the beginning of a new liturgical season. Where Christmas has focused on the incarnation of our Lord, that is, on God becoming flesh, the Season of Epiphany emphasizes the manifestation or self-revelation of God in that same flesh of Christ. For the Lord Himself has entered our darkness and rises upon us with the brightness of His true light (Is. 60:1–2). He does so chiefly by His Word of the Gospel, which He causes to be preached within His Church on earth, not only to the Jews but also to Gentiles (Eph. 3:8–10). As the Magi were guided by the promises of Holy Scripture to find and worship the Christ Child with His mother in the house (Matt. 2:5–11), so does He call disciples from all nations by the preaching of His Word to find and worship Him within His Church (Is. 60:3–6).

+ PREPARATION +



 His righteous government and pow'r Shall over all extend;
 On judgment and on justice based, His reign shall have no end, His reign shall have no end.

Text: John Morison, 1749–98, alt. Tune: Nicolaus Herman, c. 1480–1561 Text and tune: Public domain △ 6 Lord Jesus, reign in us, we pray, And make us Thine alone, Who with the Father ever art And Holy Spirit, one, And Holy Spirit, one.

(The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism)

INVOCATION Matthew 28:19b; 18:20

- In the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.

OPENING SENTENCES

Based on Psalm 117:2; Isaiah 60:3

- **P** Great is the steadfast love of the LORD toward us:
- and the faithfulness of the LORD endures forever.
- P Nations will come to His light
- and kings to the brightness of His rising.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Silence for reflection on God's Word.

- P Let us confess our sins unto the Lord.
- I confess to God Almighty, before the whole company of heaven and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have sinned in thought, word, and deed by my fault, by my own fault, by my own most grievous fault; wherefore I pray God Almighty to have mercy on me, forgive me all my sins, and bring me to everlasting life. Amen.
- The almighty and merciful Lord grant you pardon, forgiveness, and remission of all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the

 → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P May He who began this good work within you bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
- Amen.

+ WORD +

INTROIT Psalm 45:6–8a; antiphon: v. 17

I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations;

therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

Your throne, O God, is forever and ever. The scepter of your kingdom is a scepter of uprightness; you have loved righteousness and hated wickedness.

Therefore God, your God, has anointed you with the oil of gladness beyond your companions; your robes are all fragrant with myrrh and aloes and cassia.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son

and to the Holy Spirit;

as it was in the beginning,

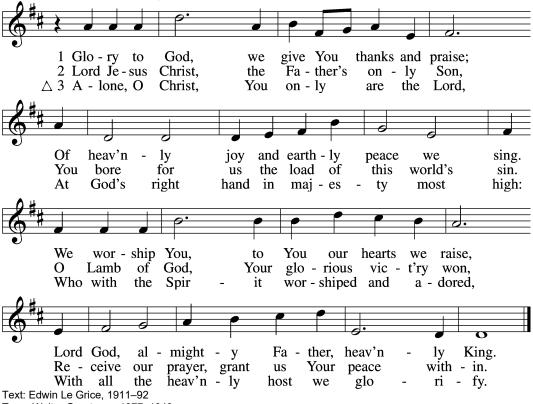
is now, and will be forever. Amen.

I will cause your name to be remembered in all generations; therefore nations will praise you forever and ever.

KYRIE Mark 10:47

- P Lord, have mercy upon us.
- Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

946 GLORY TO GOD, WE GIVE YOU THANKS AND PRAISE



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SALUTATION

- P The Lord be with you.
- And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P Let us pray.

O God, by the leading of a star You made known Your only-begotten Son to the Gentiles. Lead us, who know You by faith, to enjoy in heaven the fullness of Your divine presence; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C Amen.

(Sit)

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Isaiah 60:1-6

¹Arise, shine, for your light has come,

and the glory of the LORD has risen upon you.

²For behold, darkness shall cover the earth, and thick darkness the peoples;

but the LORD will arise upon you,

and his glory will be seen upon you.

³And nations shall come to your light, and kings to the brightness of your rising.

Lift up your eyes all around, and see; they all gather together, they come to you; your sons shall come from afar, and your daughters shall be carried on the hip.
 Then you shall see and be radiant; your heart shall thrill and exult, because the abundance of the sea shall be turned to you, the wealth of the nations shall come to you.
 A multitude of camels shall cover you, the young camels of Midian and Ephah; all those from Sheba shall come.
 They shall bring gold and frankincense, and shall bring good news, the praises of the LORD.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

EPISTLE Ephesians 3:1–12

¹For this reason I, Paul, a prisoner for Christ Jesus on behalf of you Gentiles— ²assuming that you have heard of the stewardship of God's grace that was given to me for you, ³how the mystery was made known to me by revelation, as I have written briefly. ⁴When you read this, you can perceive my insight into the mystery of Christ, ⁵which was not made known to the sons of men in other generations as it has now been revealed to his holy apostles and prophets by the Spirit. ⁶This mystery is that the Gentiles are fellow heirs, members of the same body, and partakers of the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel.

⁷Of this gospel I was made a minister according to the gift of God's grace, which was given me by the working of his power. ⁸To me, though I am the very least of all the saints, this grace was given, to preach to the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ, ⁹and to bring to light for everyone what is the plan of the mystery hidden for ages in God who created all things, ¹⁰so that through the church the manifold wisdom of God might now be made known to the rulers and authorities in the heavenly places. ¹¹This was according to the eternal purpose that he has realized in Christ Jesus our Lord, ¹²in whom we have boldness and access with confidence through our faith in him.

- **I** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

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VERSE Matthew 2:2b

Alleluia. Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him. Alleluia.

HOLY GOSPEL Matthew 2:1–12

- P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the second chapter.
- Glory to You, O Lord.

¹Now after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the east came to Jerusalem, ²saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose and have come to worship him." ³When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; ⁴and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. ⁵They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea, for so it is written by the prophet:

6"'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will shepherd my people Israel." ⁷Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star had appeared. ⁸And he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him, bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." ⁹After listening to the king, they went on their way. And behold, the star that they had seen when it rose went before them until it came to rest over the place where the child was. ¹⁰When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy. ¹¹And going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. ¹²And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

- **P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.
- Praise to You, O Christ.

CREED Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of His Father before all worlds. God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made. being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Lord and giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified,
who spoke by the prophets.
And I believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,
I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,
and I look for the resurrection of the dead
and the life
→ of the world to come. Amen.

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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE





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SERMON

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PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

P Having been bidden by the Spirit, let us pray to the Lord of light on behalf of all who sit in darkness and the shadow of death.

Silence for prayer and meditation.

- P O Light of light, shine with the brightness of the one true light, that those who live in darkness may be granted the light of life. Embolden Your Church that we with confidence and joy proclaim this saving Gospel to all the world and bring together the divided into the one people of Your grace in Christ. Lord, in Your mercy,
- **©** hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of power and might, shine Your light into the nations and give to all peoples wise and faithful servants to govern with integrity and mercy. Raise up people of honor to serve us on Your behalf and give Your blessing to those who protect us at home and abroad. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of grace, You made Your Church from many to be one people and in Christ united them from all nations and tribes. Give unity of faith and doctrine to Your Church and able servants who will preach and teach faithfully the Good News of Christ, our Savior. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of mercy, You forgave us in Christ and still forgive us of all our sins. Give to us hearts of repentance, and fill us with faith that we who know Christ may walk worthy of Him who is our righteousness and be kept blameless and holy until He comes again. Lord, in Your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.

- O Lord of love, You sought us out when we had nothing to commend us. Continue to seek out and comfort the sick and those who grieve, the dying in their final hours, and those troubled in mind, [especially . . .]. Give them grace sufficient for their need and faith to sustain them in their trials. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of life, You daily and richly bestow upon us bread for the body. Give to us also the bread of life, that we be nourished in body and soul with the very body and blood of Christ in this blessed Communion and here rejoice in the foretaste of the eternal feast that we anticipate in Christ, our Lord. Lord, in Your mercy,
- hear our prayer.
- P O Lord of hope, You create us anew in the waters of Baptism. The divisions that once marked us have been overcome in Christ. Keep from us, we pray, all bitterness, doubt, and fear, and bring us at last into Your eternal presence, with those who lived and died in Christ and now rest in their labors. Lord, in Your mercy.
- **C** hear our prayer.
- P Grant to us all things needful and keep from us all things harmful, O Lord, for we trust in Your goodness and in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

(Sit)

PRAYER

As you are seated during the collection of the offering, we suggest you pray for the following (see announcements):

- Those celebrating Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries, Baptismal Anniversaries;
- GriefShare Group
- Transition Team
- NLSA Accreditation
- Open Arms Christian Child Development Center Faculty, Staff, and Families
- Mission of the Month

Please remember to include these in your prayers during the week along with those on the bookmark prayer list.

OFFERING

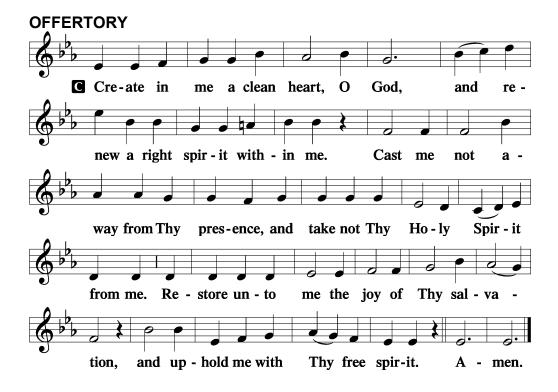
We have come to that time in the service where we bring the offering forward and present those gifts at the Altar.

For those of you for visiting, please feel no obligation to participate. This service is our gift to you.

But for those of you who consider Immanuel Lutheran Church to be your spiritual home, we want to thank you for your faithfulness to participate financially in the ongoing support of this ministry.

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Psalm 51:10-12



OFFERTORY PRAYER

+ SACRAMENT +

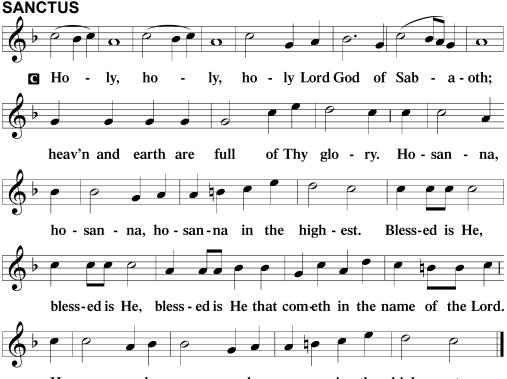
PREFACE

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Lift up your hearts.
- We lift them to the Lord.
- **P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; for what had been hidden from before the foundation of the world You have made known to the nations in Your Son. In Him, being found in the substance of our mortal nature, You have manifested the fullness of Your glory. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9



Ho-san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san-na in the high - est.

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

- P O gracious and almighty Father, from the beginning of the world You set forth the plan of salvation to rescue Your creation from the darkness and death of sin. Now, in the fullness of time, You have revealed Your Son as the promised Savior and Redeemer, in whom all the world is born again in hope. As He has kept Your saving will and been born in our flesh to accomplish all things for our salvation, so also He has reached beyond the divisions of old to unite us as one people by Baptism and faith. Grant to us this day Your Holy Spirit, that we who come to this altar may through repentance and faith be made worthy to receive Him who comes to us here. To You alone, O Father, be all glory, honor, and worship, with the Son and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C Amen.

THE WORDS OF OUR LORD

PROCLAMATION OF CHRIST

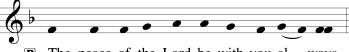
- As often as we eat this bread and drink this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until He comes.
- Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
- P O Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, in giving us Your body and blood to eat and to drink, You lead us to remember and confess Your holy cross and passion, Your blessed death, Your rest in the tomb, Your resurrection from the dead, Your ascension into heaven, and Your coming for the final judgment. So remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.



John 20:19

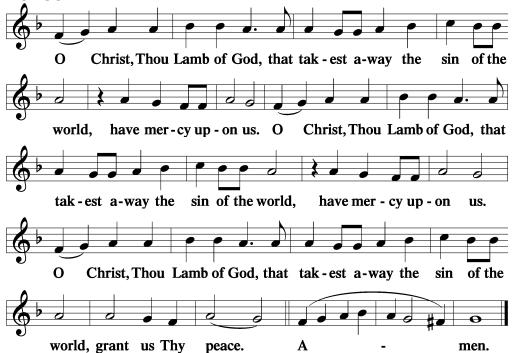


P The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.





John 1:29



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DISTRIBUTION

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- 1 As with glad-ness men of old Did the guid-ing star be-hold;
- 2 As with joy ful steps they sped, Sav ior, to Thy low ly bed,
- 3 As they of fered gifts most rare At Thy cra dle, rude and bare,
- 4 Ho-ly Je-sus, ev-'ry day Keep us in the nar-row way; 5 In the heav'n-ly coun-try bright Need they no cre-at-ed light;

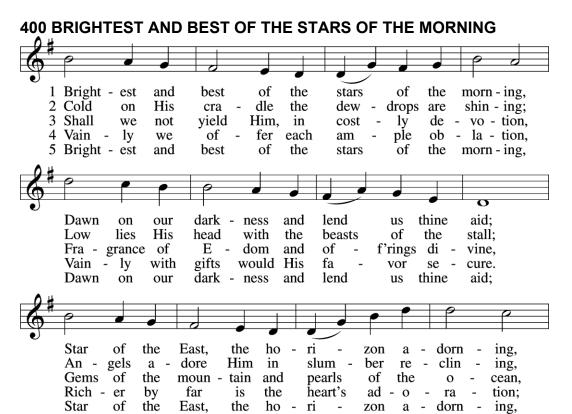


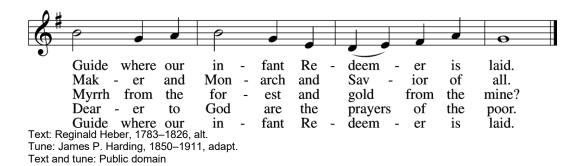
As with joy they hailed its light, Lead - ing on - ward, beam-ing bright; There to bend the knee be - fore Thee, whom heav'n and earth a - dore; So may we with ho - ly joy, Pure and free from sin's al - loy, And when earth-ly things are past, Bring our ran-somed souls at last Thou its light, its joy, its crown, Thou its sun which goes not down;



So, most gra-cious Lord, may we Ev - er - more be led by Thee. So may we with will - ing feet Ev - er seek Thy mer - cy seat. All our cost-liest trea - sures bring, Christ, to Thee, our heav'n-ly King. Where they need no star to guide, Where no clouds Thy glo - ry hide. There for - ev - er may we sing Al - le - lu - ias to our King.

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POST-COMMUNION THANKSGIVING

P Let us pray.

Merciful God, we humbly implore You to cast the bright beams of Your light upon Your Church that we, being instructed by the doctrine of the blessed apostles, may walk in the light of Your truth and finally attain to the light of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

 \mathbf{C} Amen.

BENEDICAMUS

- Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

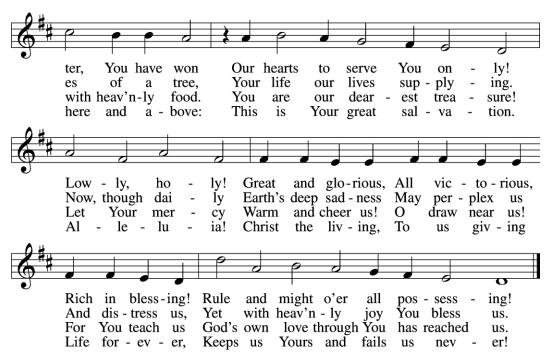
BENEDICTION

- The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.
- Amen. C

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395 O MORNING STAR, HOW FAIR AND BRIGHT





O let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation!
Exultation!
Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of Glory!

What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

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MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE

DISMISSAL

P Go in peace to love and serve the Lord!

Thanks be to God.

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Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer. *Romans 12:12*Please pray for...

Health Issues/Hospitalizations

David

Gayle S

Elma

Christin

Greg J

Ruth G

Carleen N

Lois Ann V

Melody J

Francine

Anna S

Alan

Bridgette K

Nevena N

Lawrence W

Marie P

Mary L

Michael P

Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, and faithful in prayer. *Romans 12:12*Please pray for...

Please keep in your prayers

Glenda M

Nancy M

Dennis

Stan

Jared C

Shut-Ins

Madeleine Gahala

Melanie Hauth

Margarete and Quirin Ortmanns

Carol Palczynski

Janet Teegen

Ruth Goebel



ENCOURAGING one another in Faith, GROWING in God's Eternal Word, SHARING the Love and Grace of Christ.

Events

Tuesday, January 10th

10:30am Coffee Hour (Zoom Only)
7:00pm Women's Bible Class (In-Person Youth Room)

Wednesday, January 11th

10:00am Men's Group at Panera Bread ~2512 Waukegan Road Glenview, IL 60025~

Thursday, January 12th

1:00pm Bible Study (Zoom Only with Kit Lenser)
7:00pm GriefShare (Fellowship Hall)
7:00pm Pickleball (Gym)

Sunday, January 15th

8:45am Children's Sunday School (Library/Youth Room) 8:45am Study Hour (Fellowship Hall/ Koinonia.clickmeeting.com) 10:00am Worship (Zoom/In-Person)

Simply go to Zoom

Or join us by phone by calling +1 312 626 6799 US (Chicago) and enter the information below as

prompted. Meeting ID: 957 722 9696 Password: 188009

Announcements:

Birthdays this week: Barbara Bender (1/8), Tom Amato (1/10)

GriefShare

Have you experienced the deep grief of losing a loved one to death? Have you learned valuable lessons and experienced healing from the hurt? Would you like to help others do the same? Then please call or e-mail to learn more about the different volunteer opportunities with our GriefShare ministry.

Cheryl Paras, 847-347-0936 or GSG@ImmanuelGlenview.org

Eat to Support Open Arms

Open Arms is holding another fundraiser Thursday January 19th at Corner Bakery on 1378 Patriot Blvd. All you have to do is eat at this location between 7:00am to 7:30pm and mention that you are there to support Open Arms, and 15% of your meal price will be donated back to the center. There are other options if you do not wish to dine in. Please see the flyers that are hung in the Narthex for more of these options and information.

Sunday Study- Scrappy Church

A 6-session study starting January 8th.

Want YOUR church to make a difference?
There is hope. God's possibilities.
What does a scrappy church look like? Let's take a look together.

Join us for a Pastor-led study of the Book "Scrappy Church: God's Not Done Yet" to see what Scripture has to say to us!

Please make sure to pick up your books before the start day on January 8th.

Sunday Study Hour 8:45-9:30am

In-Person: Fellowship Hall (downstairs)
Online: https://Koinonia.Clickmeeting.com

Recorded Sessions: https://BibleStudiesGroup.site

